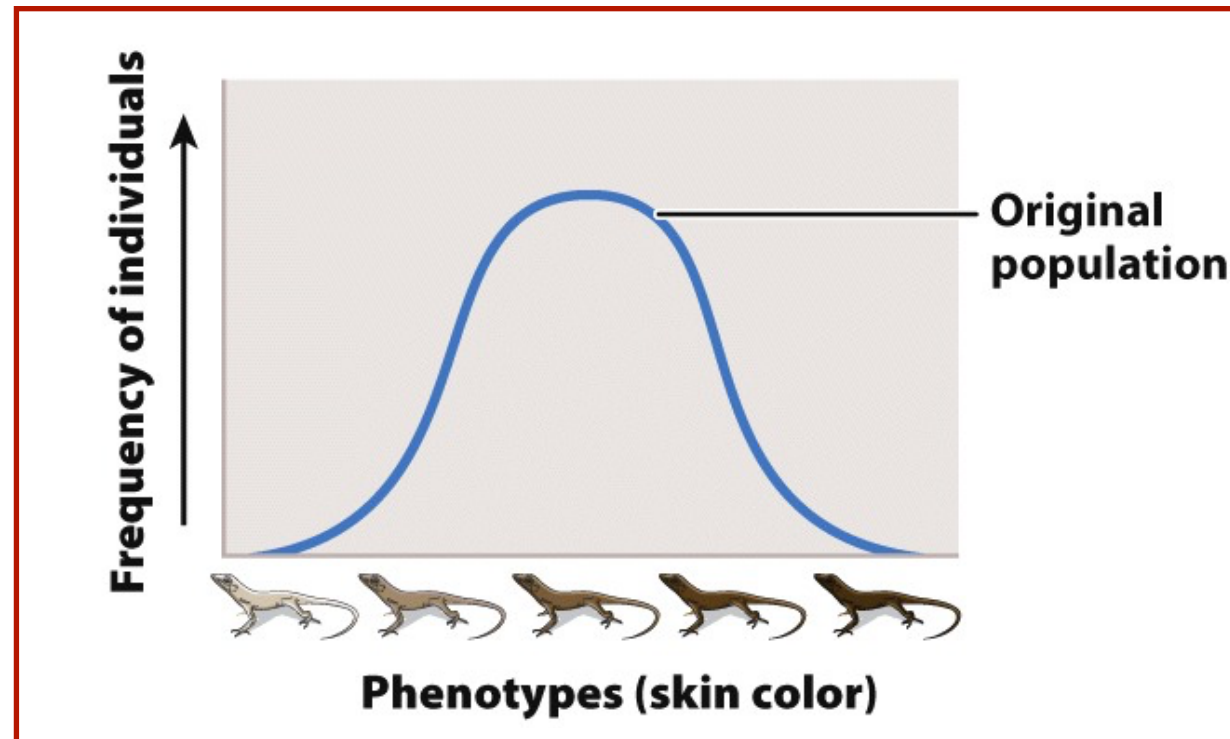


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Bell Curve



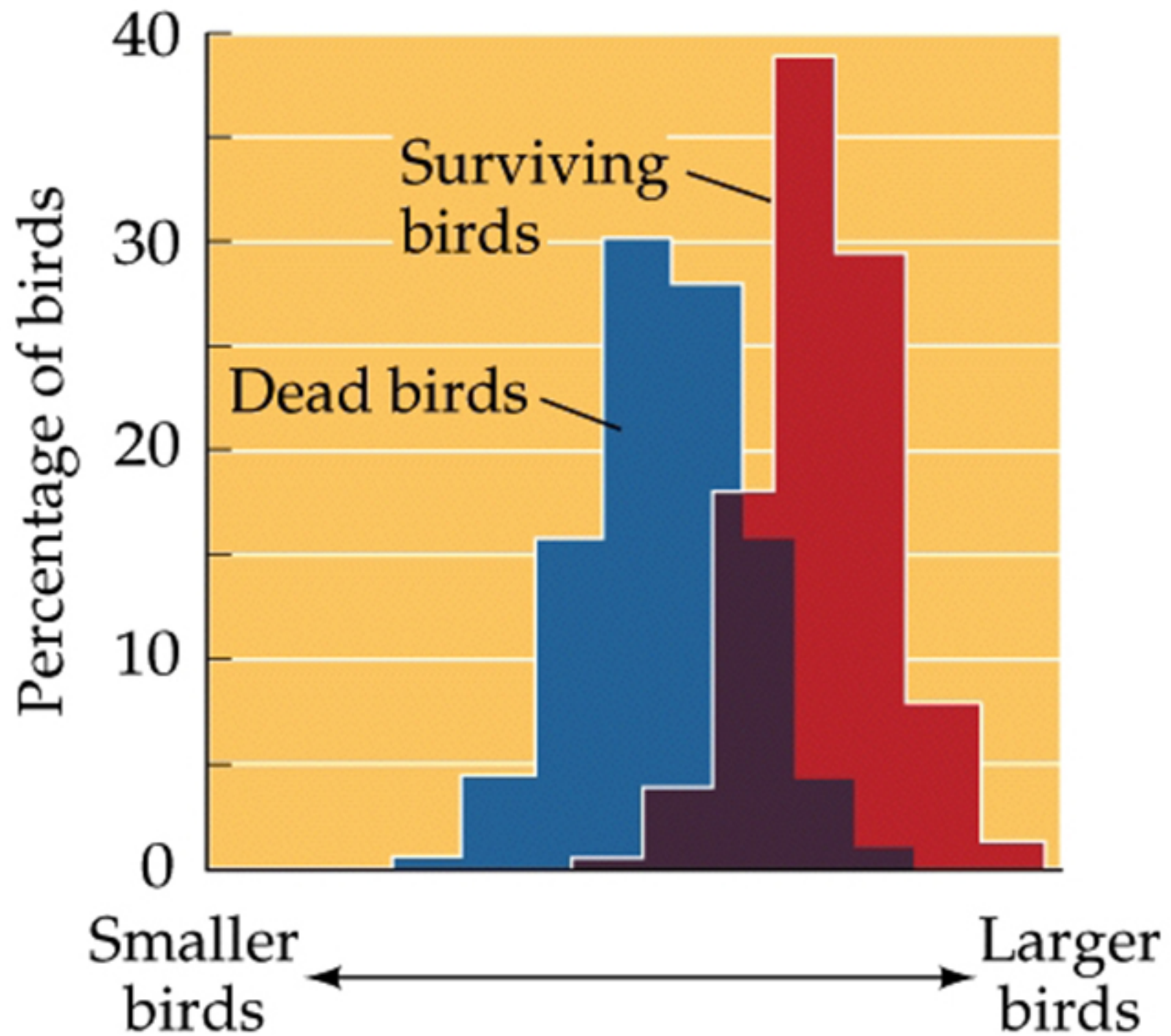
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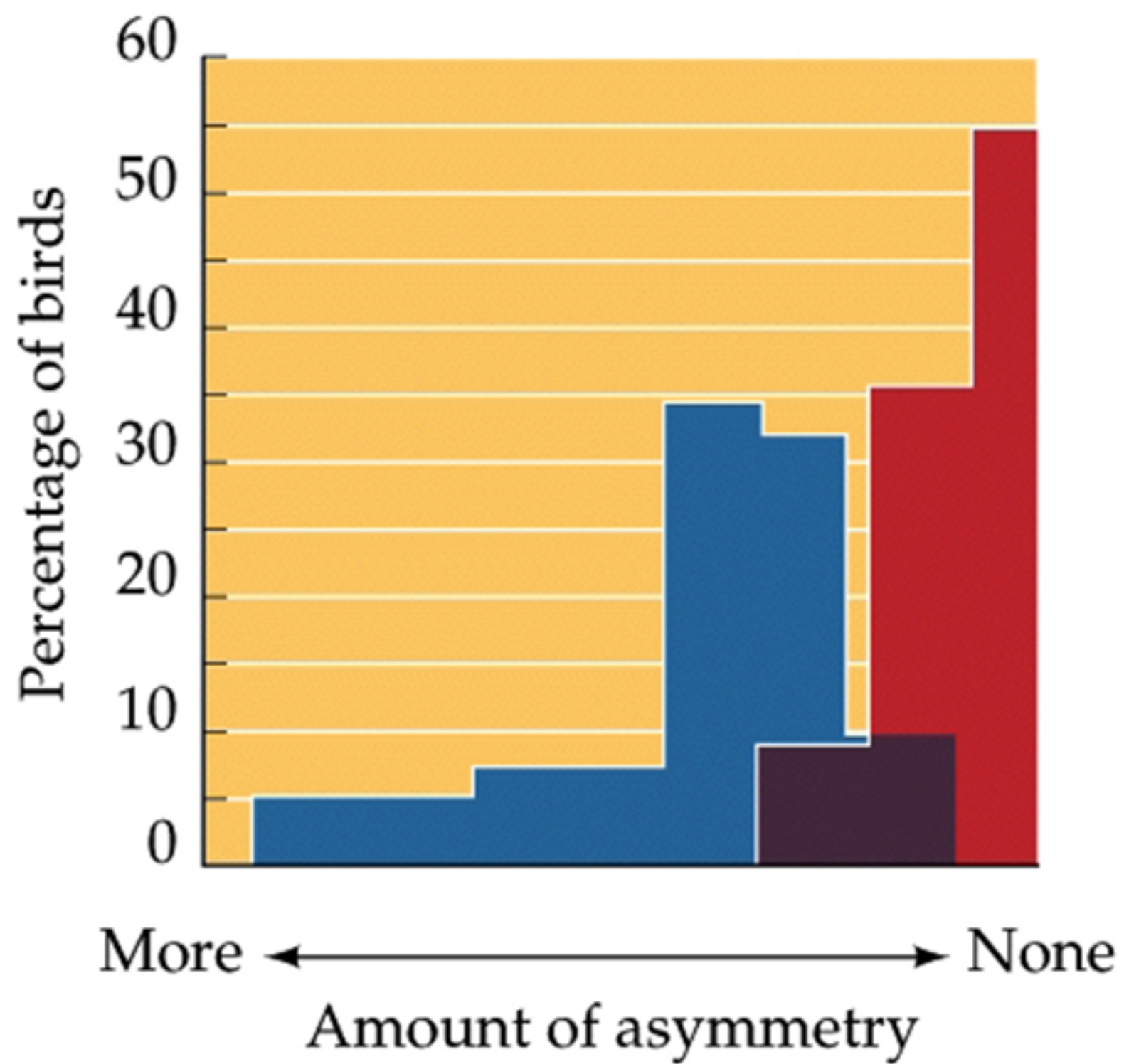
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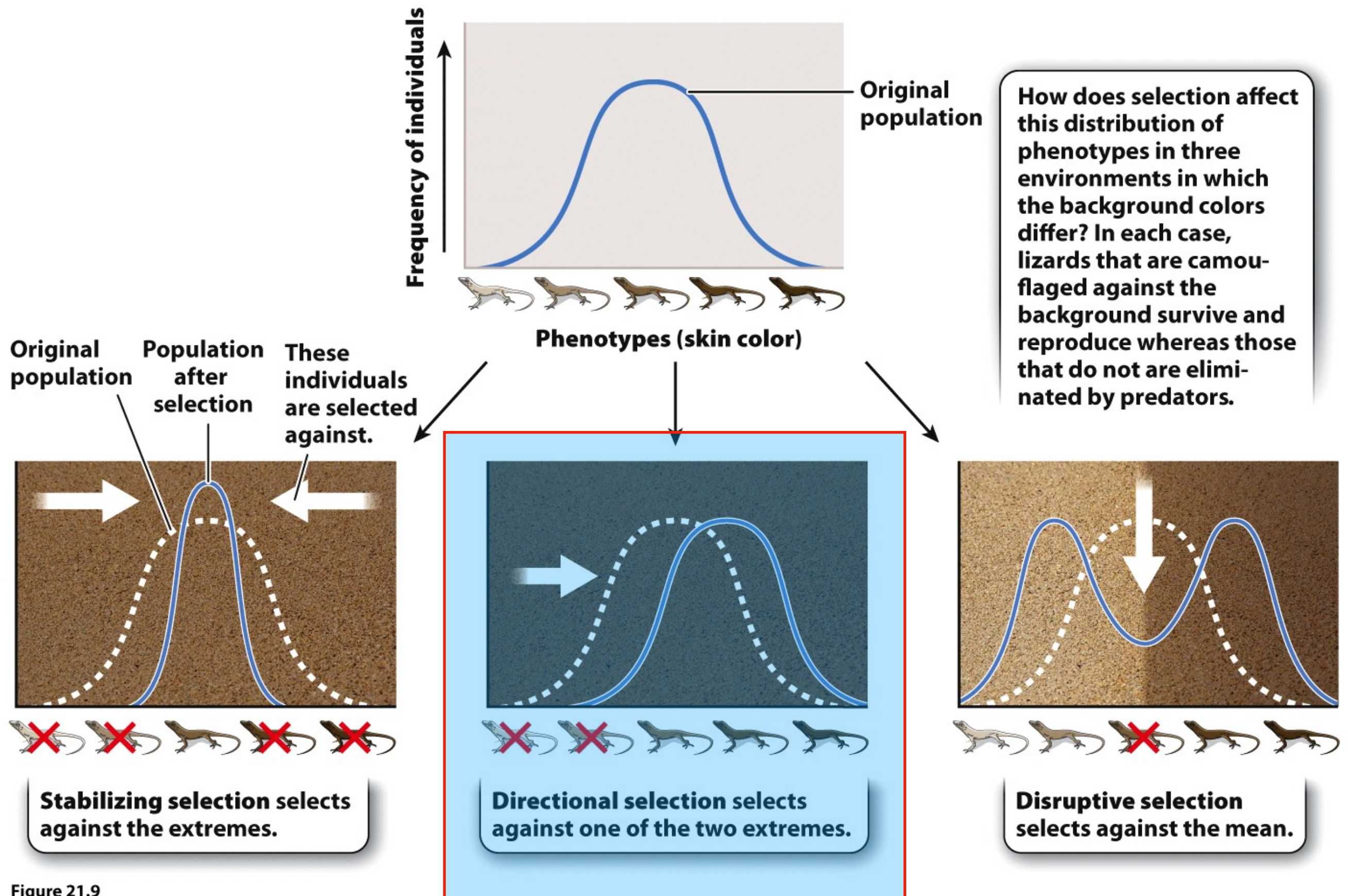


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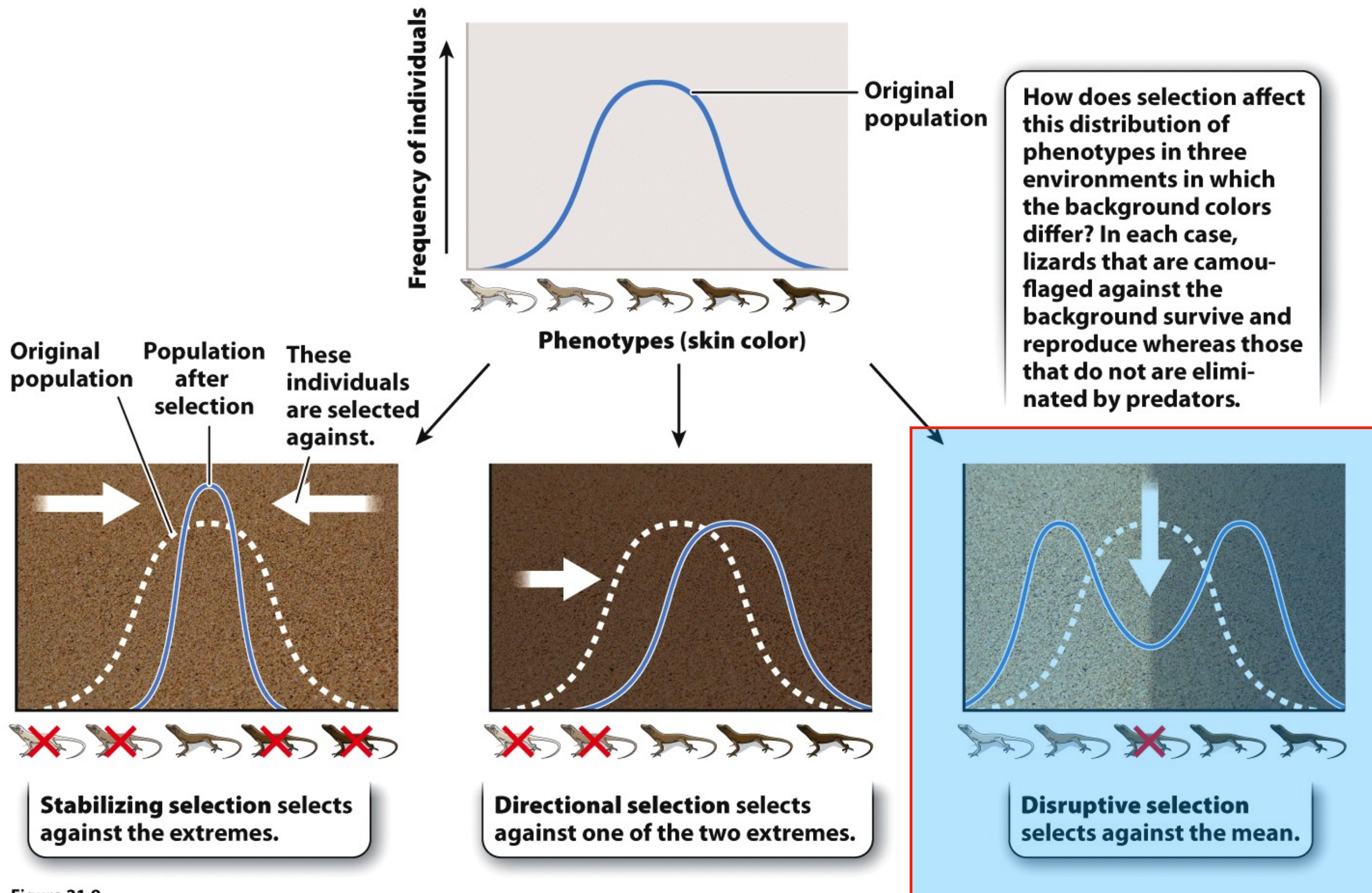
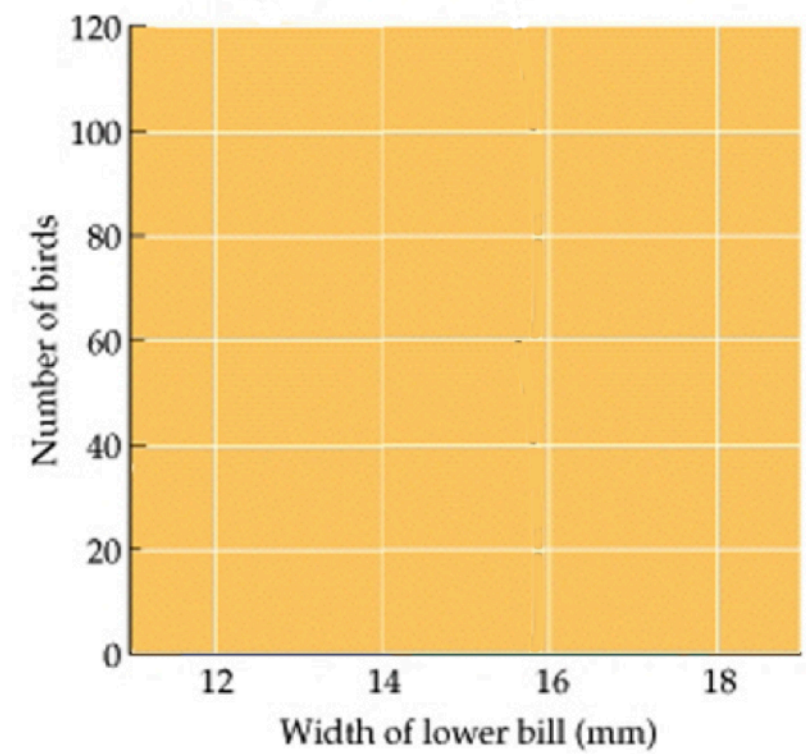
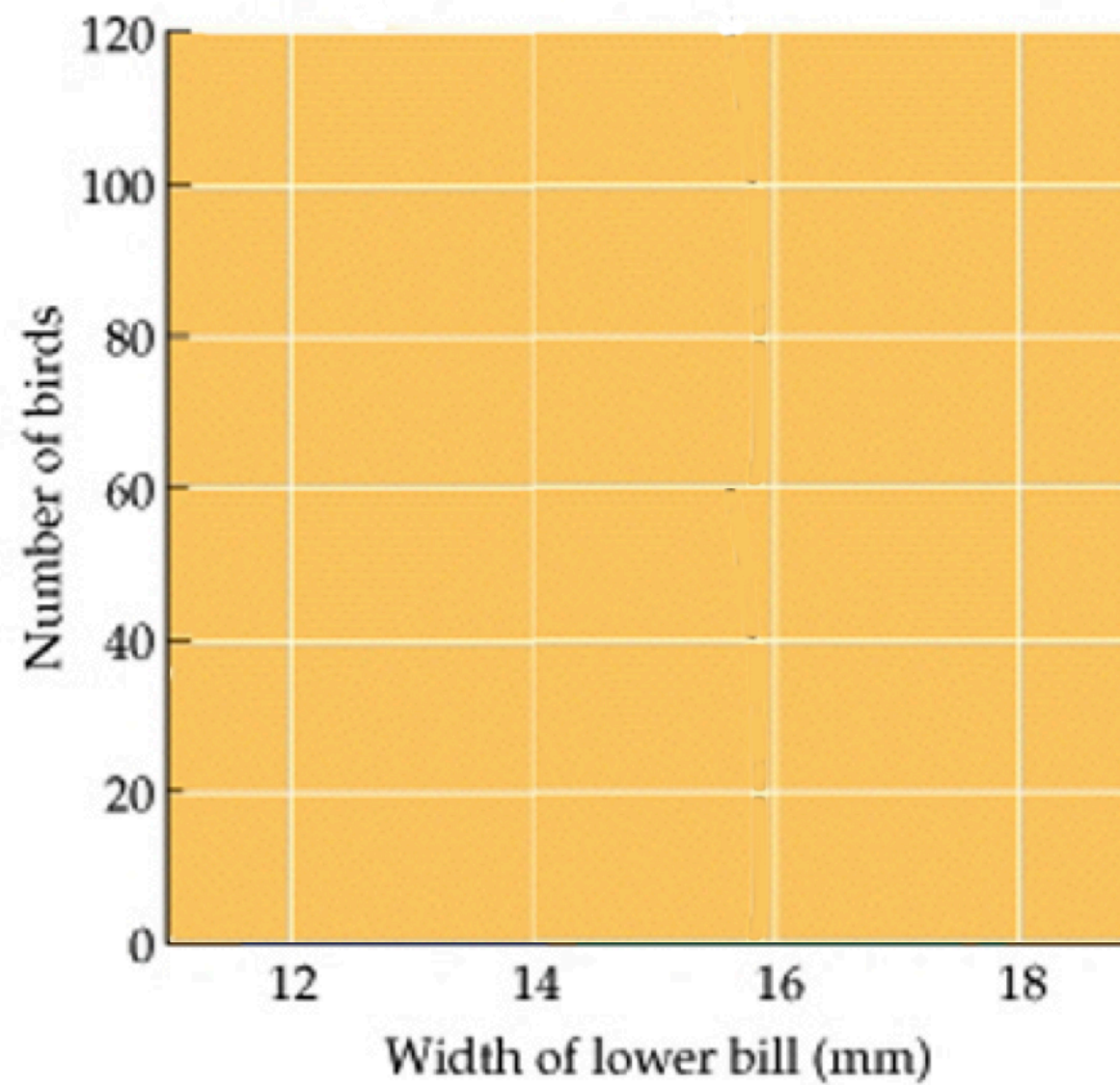
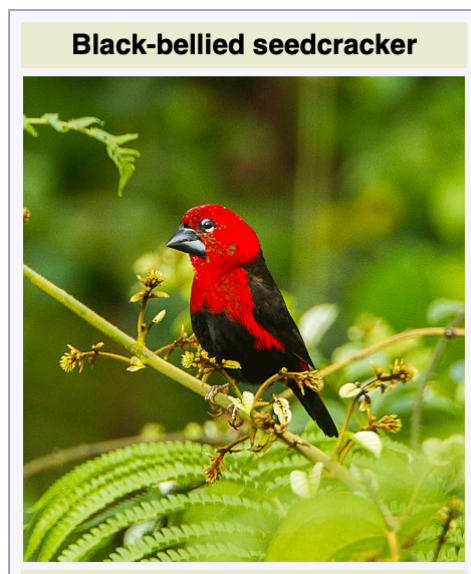
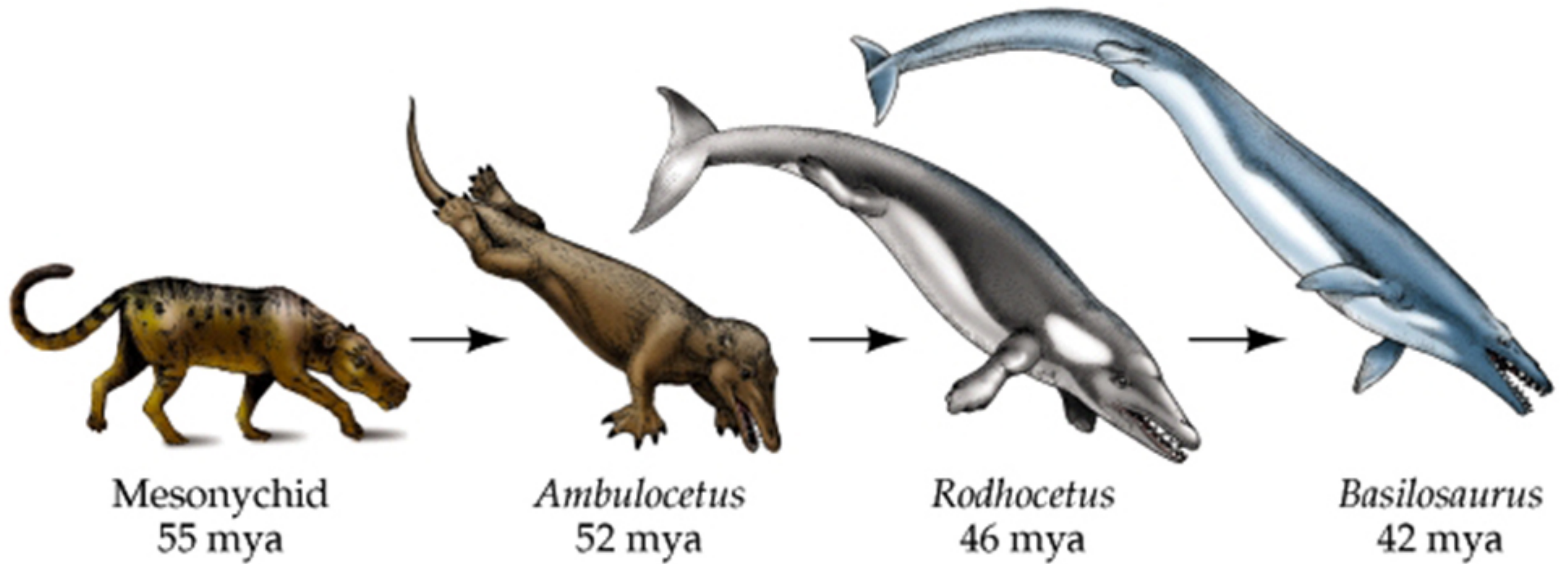


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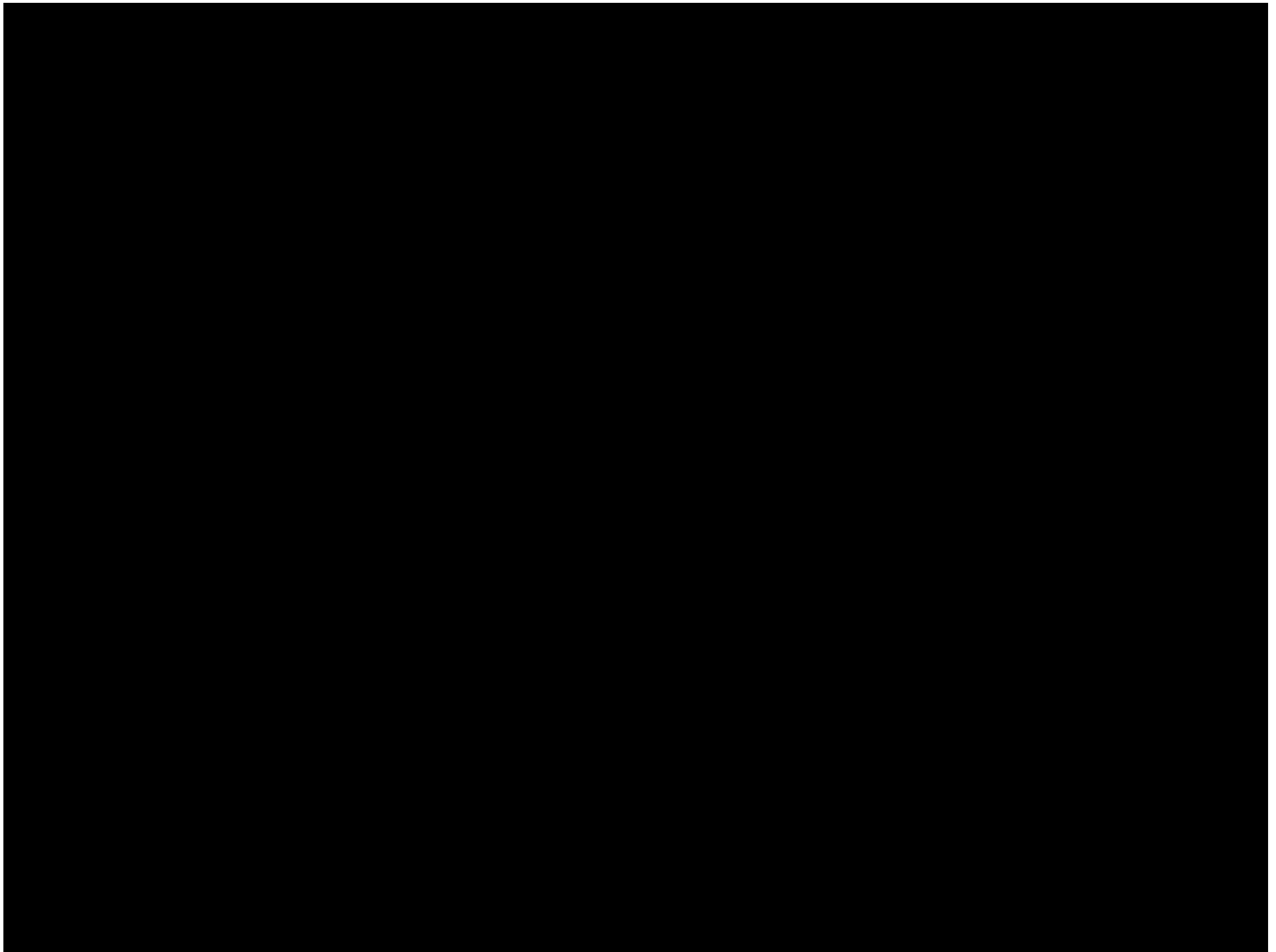






Fossil Records... Evolution of Whales?

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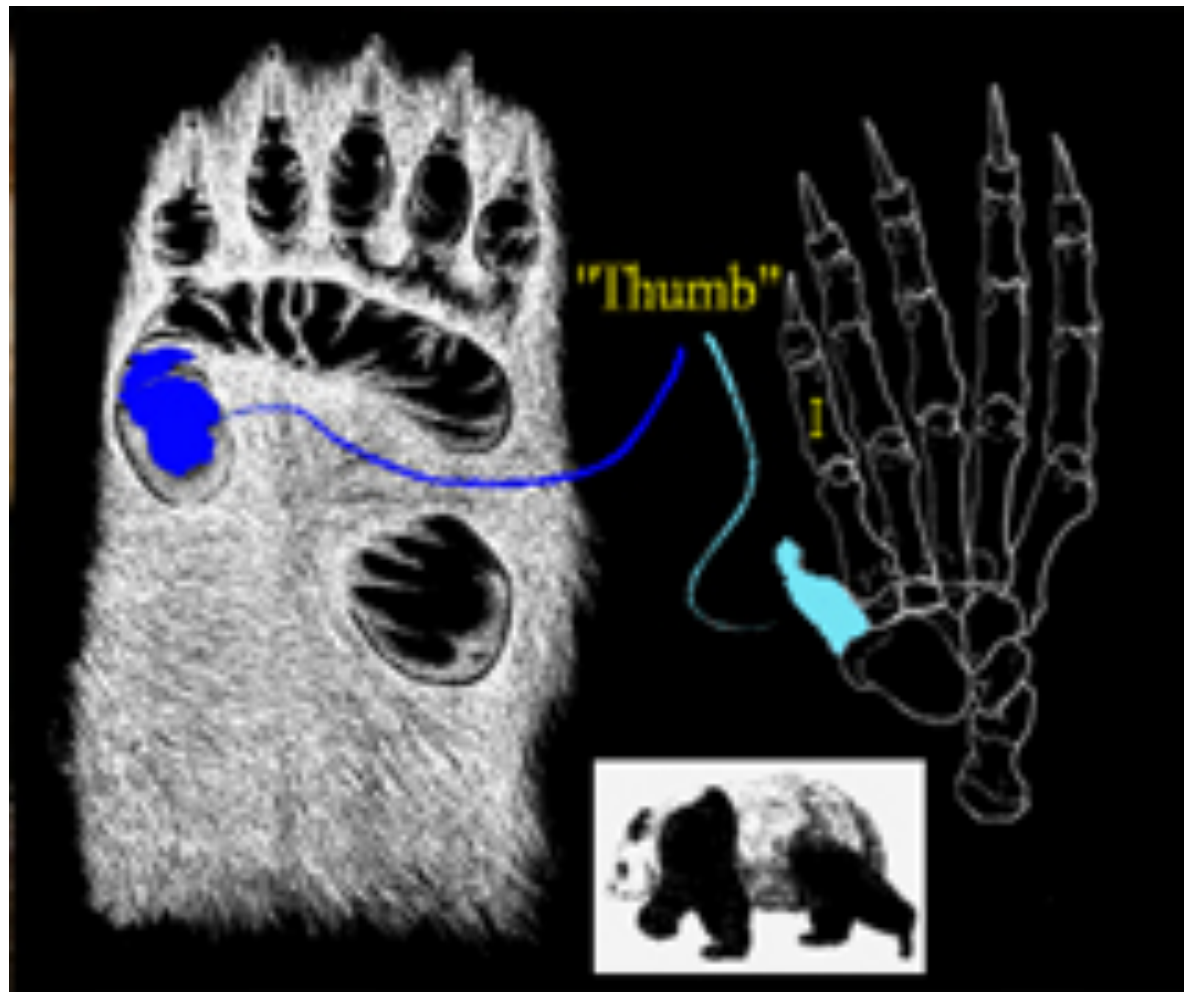
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Fossil Records... Panda's thumb



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Piltdown Man Hoax, 100 Years Ago

On its 100th anniversary, mystery still lingers over one of history's most spectacular scientific hoaxes.

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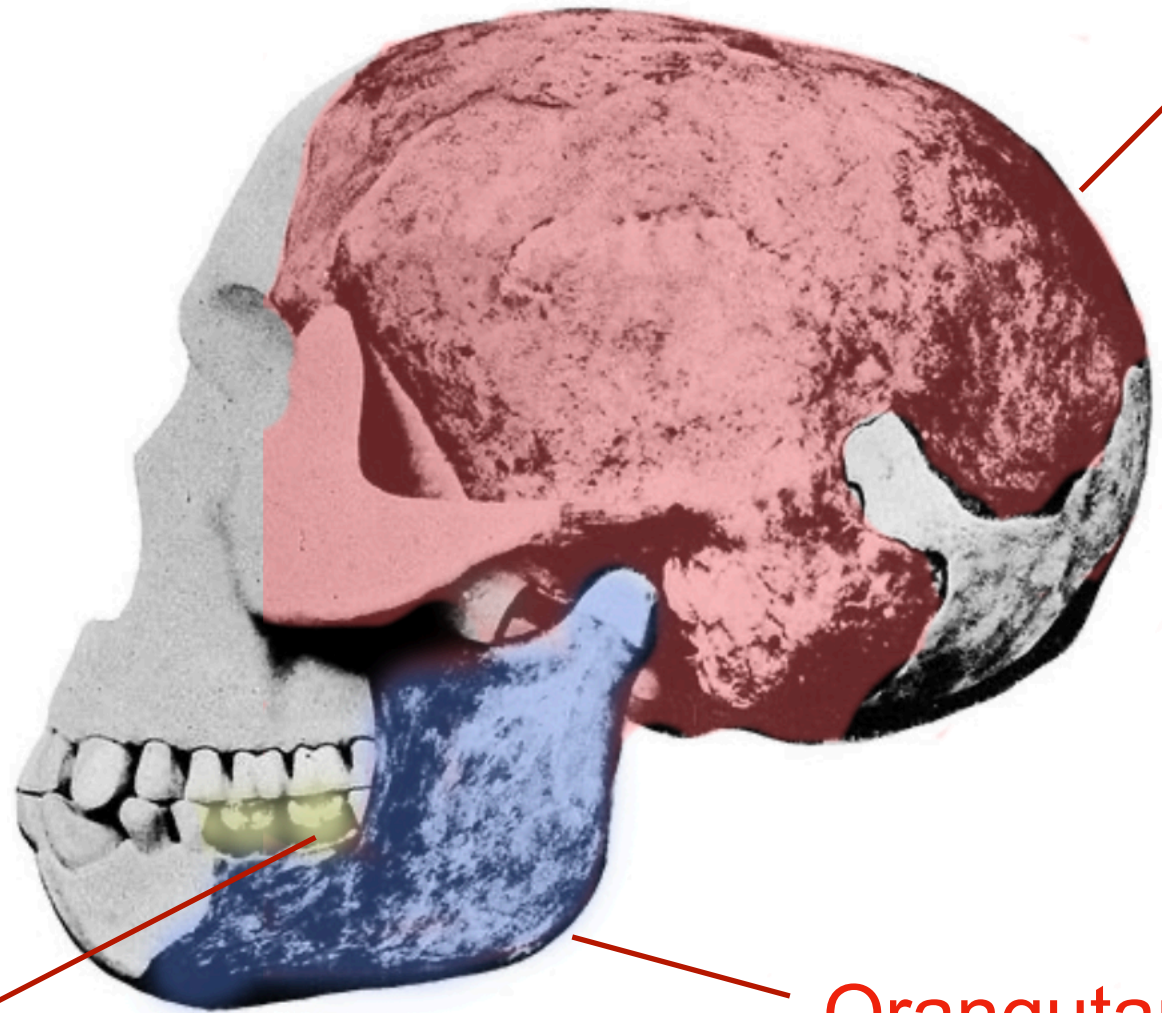


By the time of Dawson and Woodward's historic announcement, the search for a missing link to prove Darwin's still-controversial theory had grown intense. Significant evidence of early humans in the British Isles had not yet been found, and the success of the Sussex dig was a major headline-grabber. Woodward, who was the curator of the British Museum's paleontology department, dubbed the discovery *Eoanthropus dawsoni*, or "Dawson's Dawn-man," but he was more commonly known as the Piltdown Man.

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Falsified Fossil Records...

Human Cranium
(~600 yrs old)



Tooth of
a chimpanzee

Orangutan Jaw

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Genetic/Evolutionary Vocabulary

- **population**: all individuals of the same species occupying the same area.
- **gene**: A unit of heritable information -usually associated (at the molecular level) with a specific region located on the chromosome.
- **allele**: one of two or more slightly different forms, or "variants" of a given gene.
- **allelic frequency**: the number of times a particular allelic variant shows up -usually refers to a population
- **genotype**: a selection of the genes that make up an individual.
- **phenotype**: the consequence(s) of all the allelic interactions that give rise to a visibly determinable "type".
- **gene Pool**: a collection of the different genes (both expressed and not expressed) that are present in a population

To understand what **populations** are and how they can change...

We need to understand that populations are "populations of individuals" not a group of identical "**clones**". ..

Populations are a group of individuals that exhibit an assorted array of similar **phenotypic traits** (the operative word being "**similar**"), and that each individual has a slightly different organismal "**signature**" that contributes to the collective "**gene pool**"

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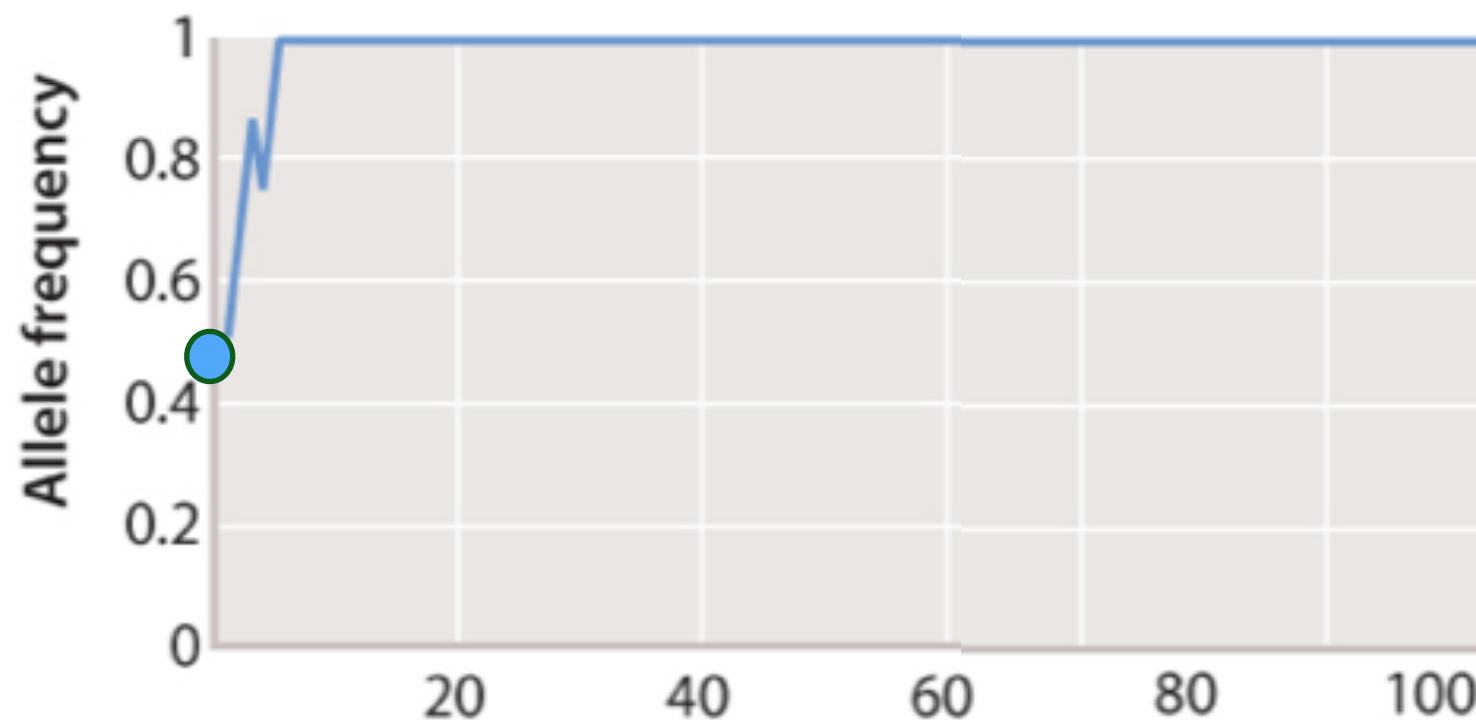
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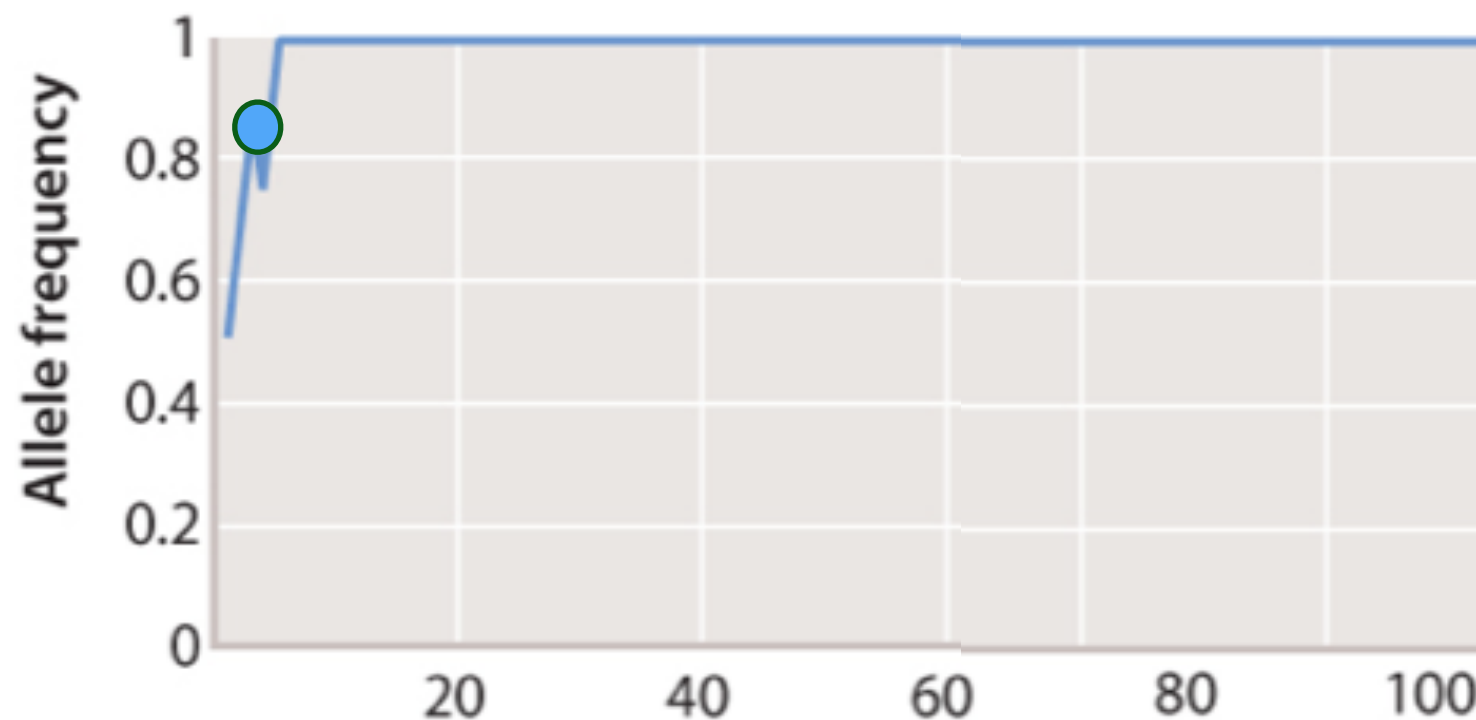
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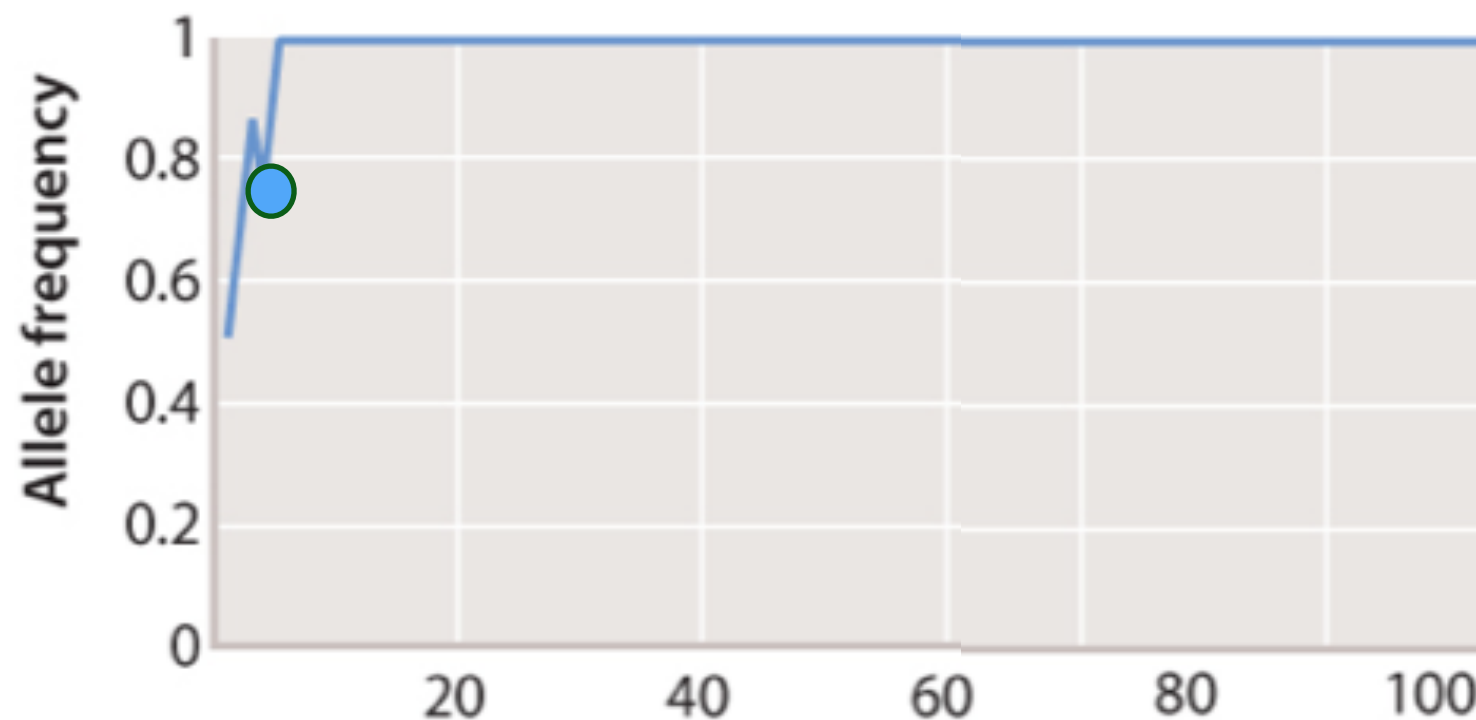
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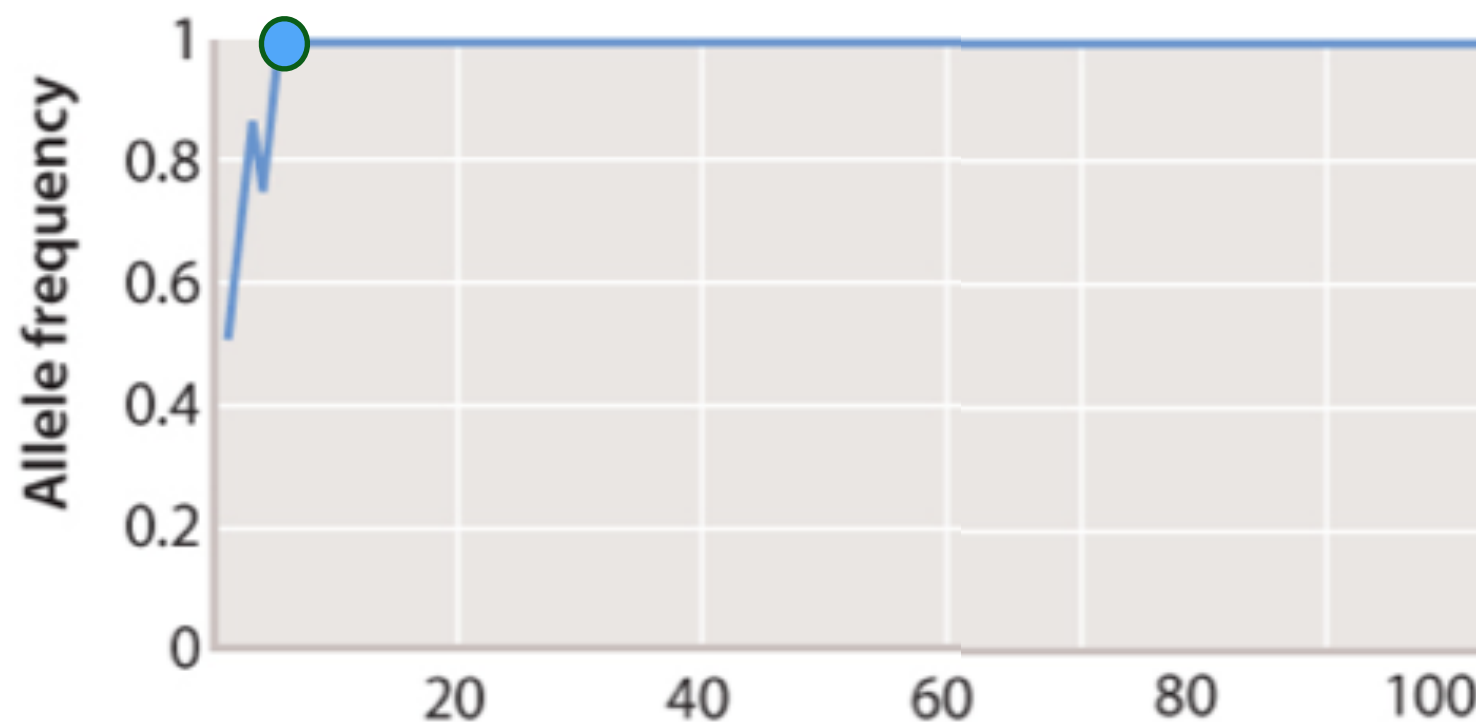
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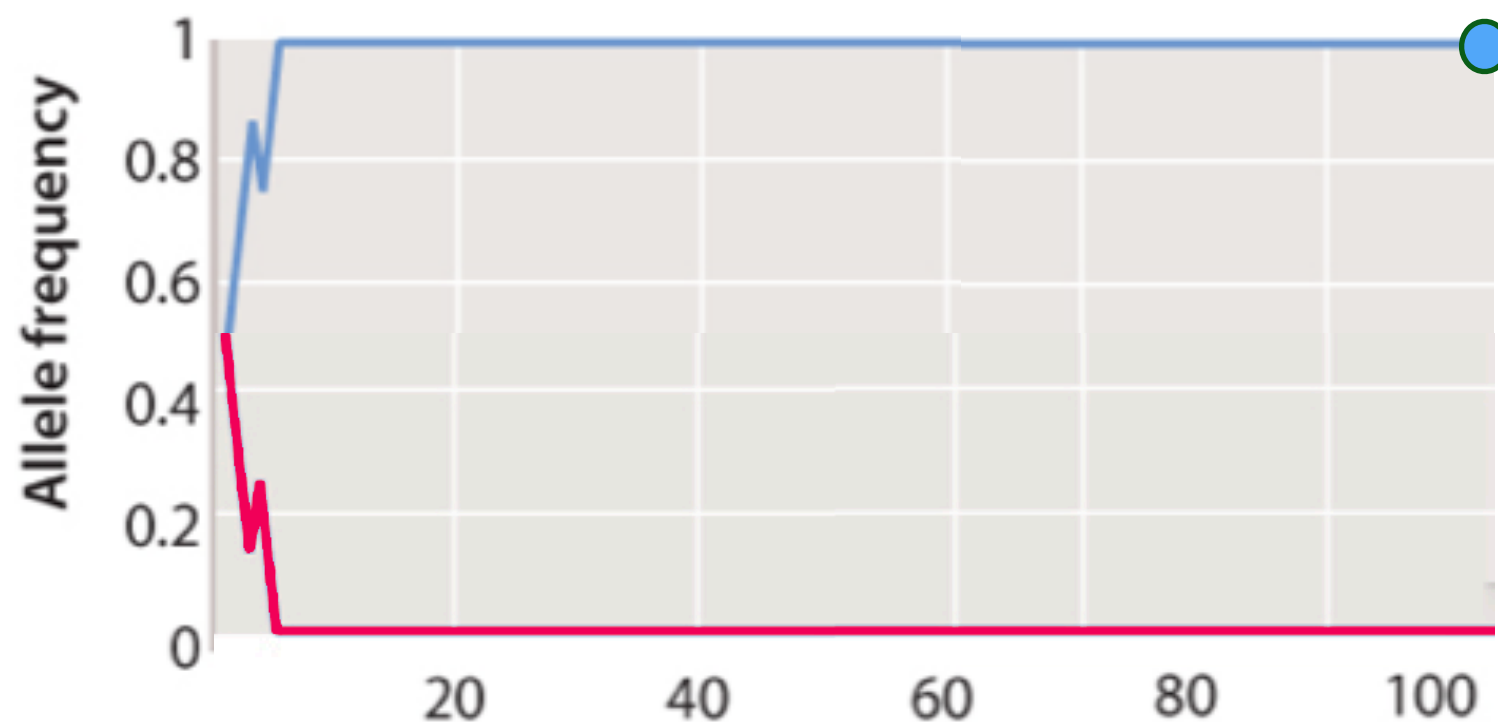
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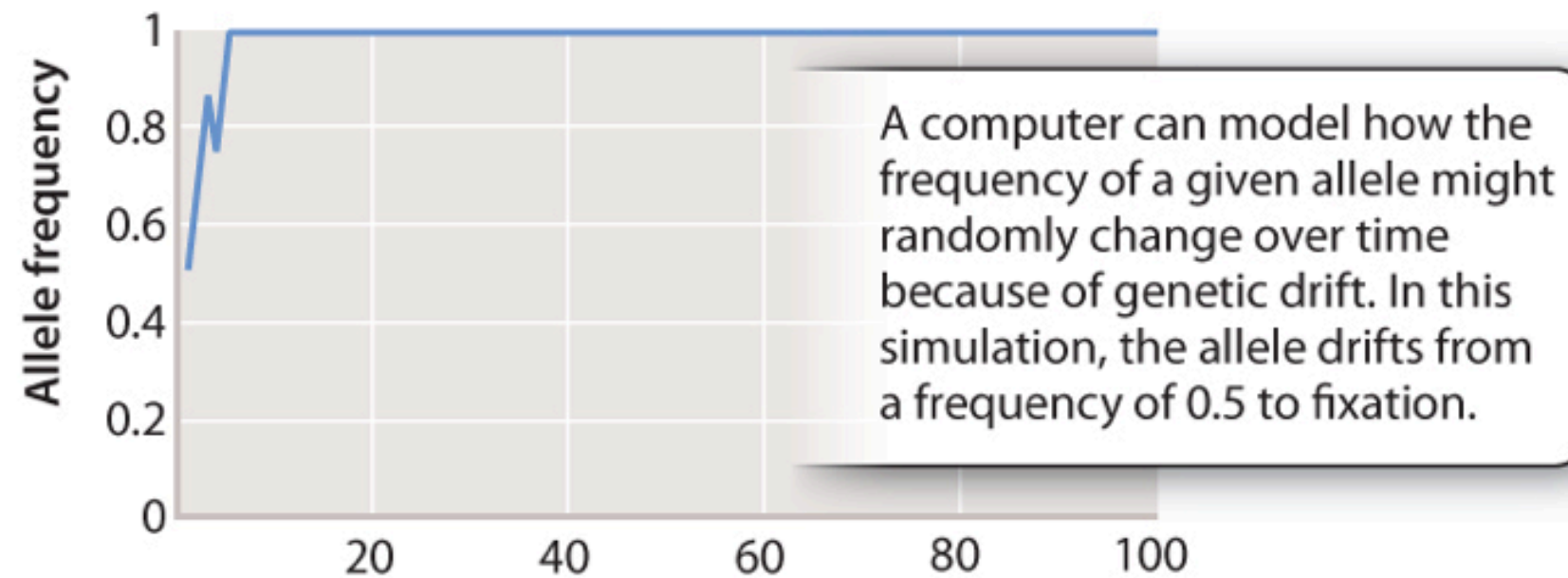
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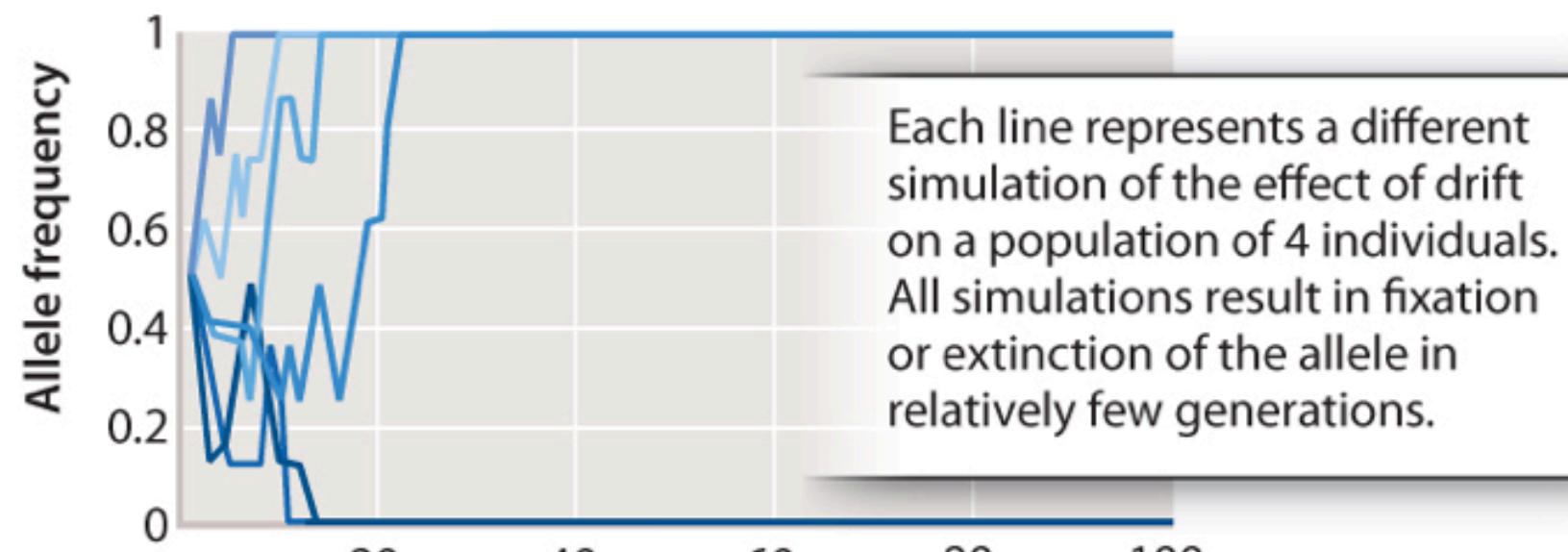
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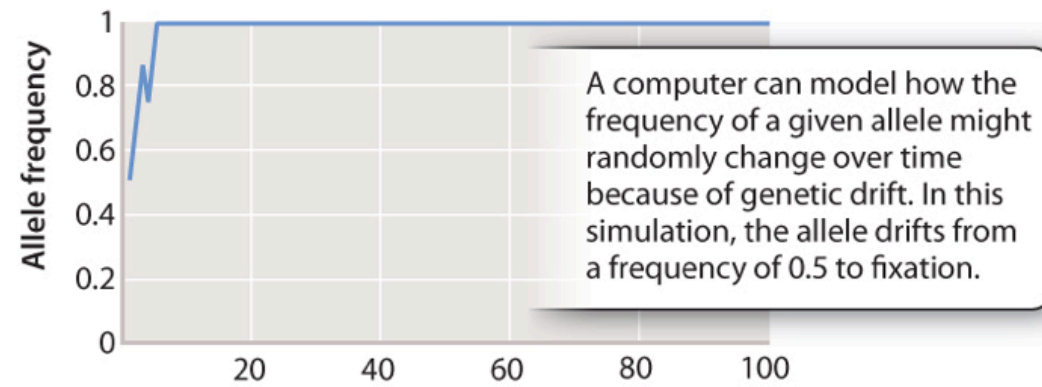


Genetic Drift

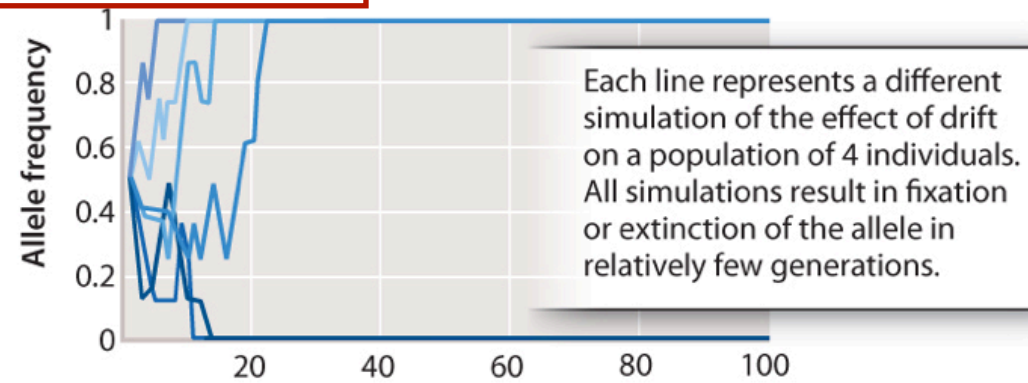


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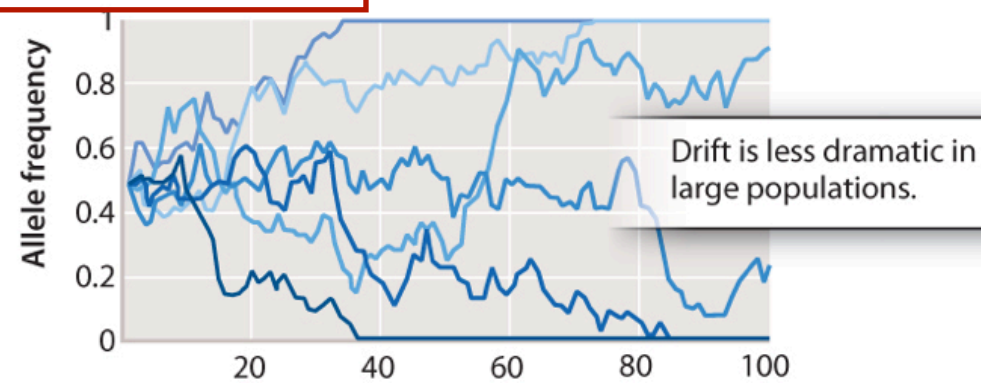
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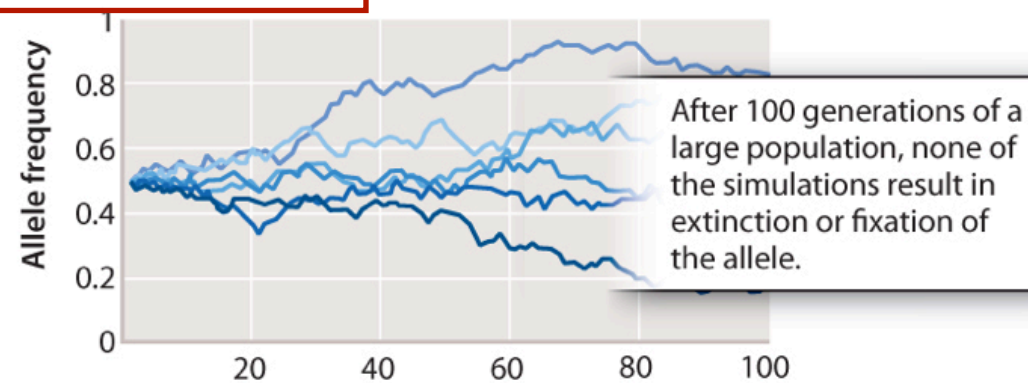
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Generations

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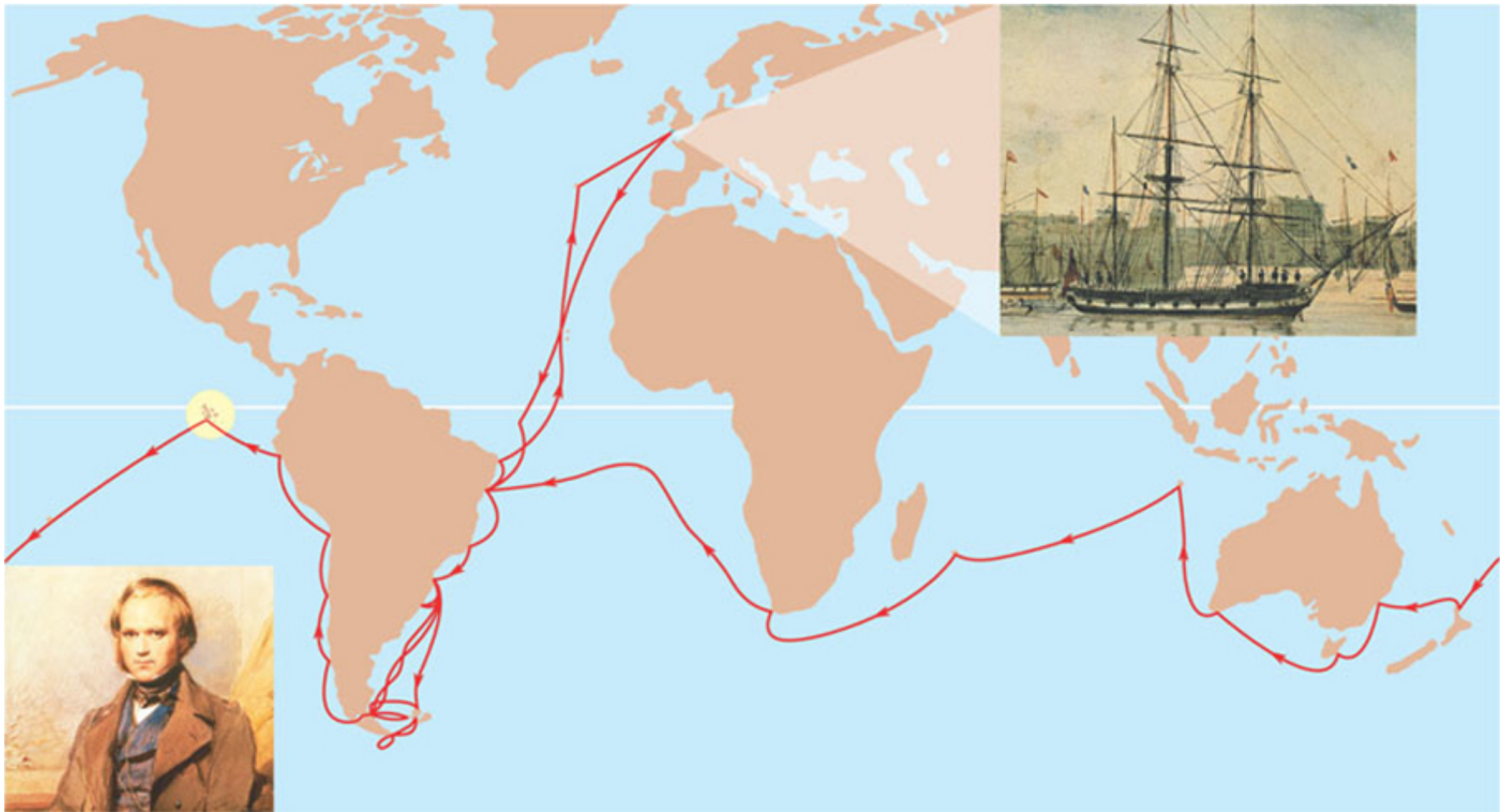
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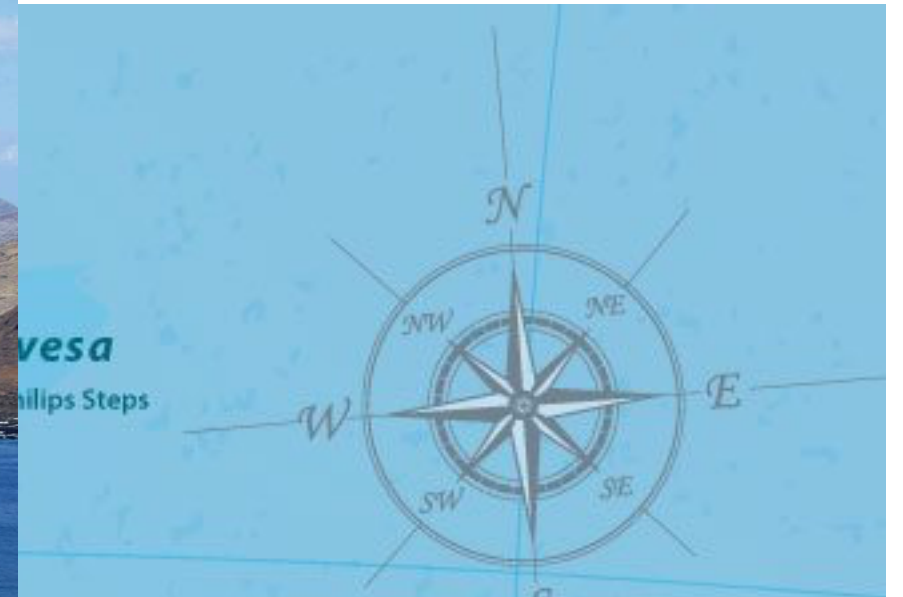
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Voyage of the Beagle



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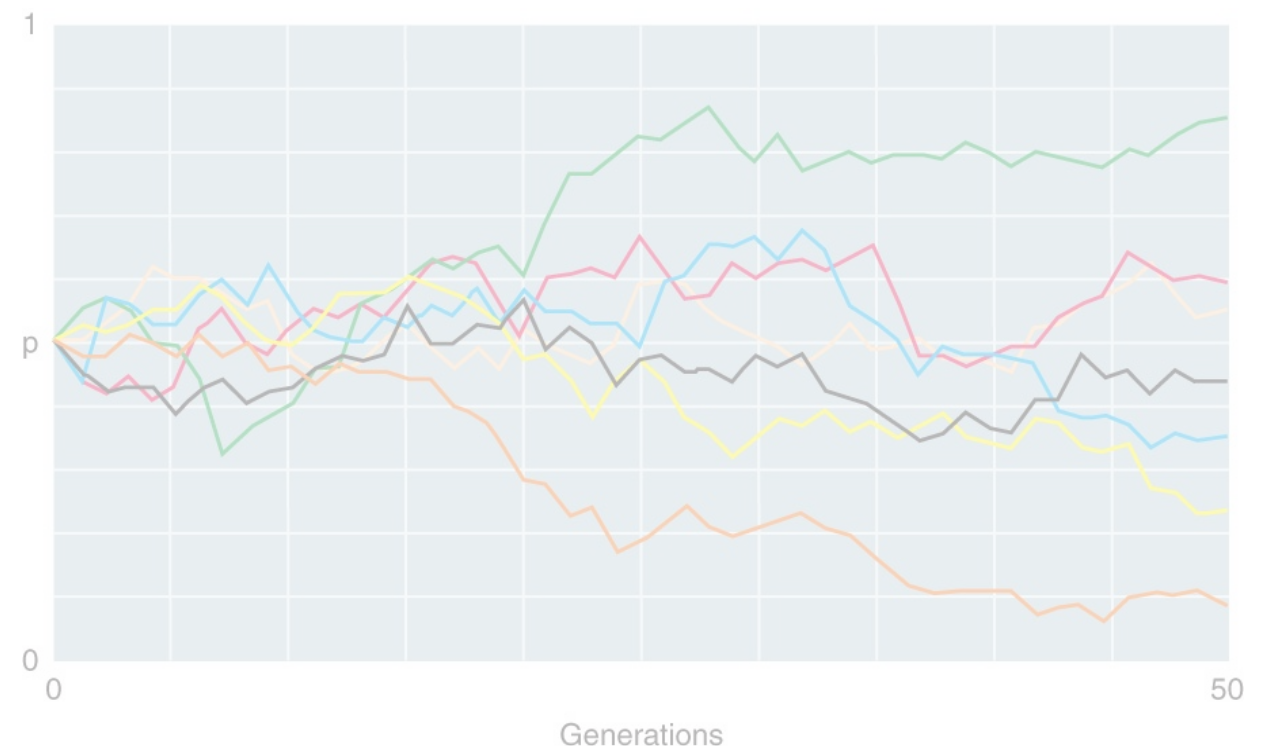
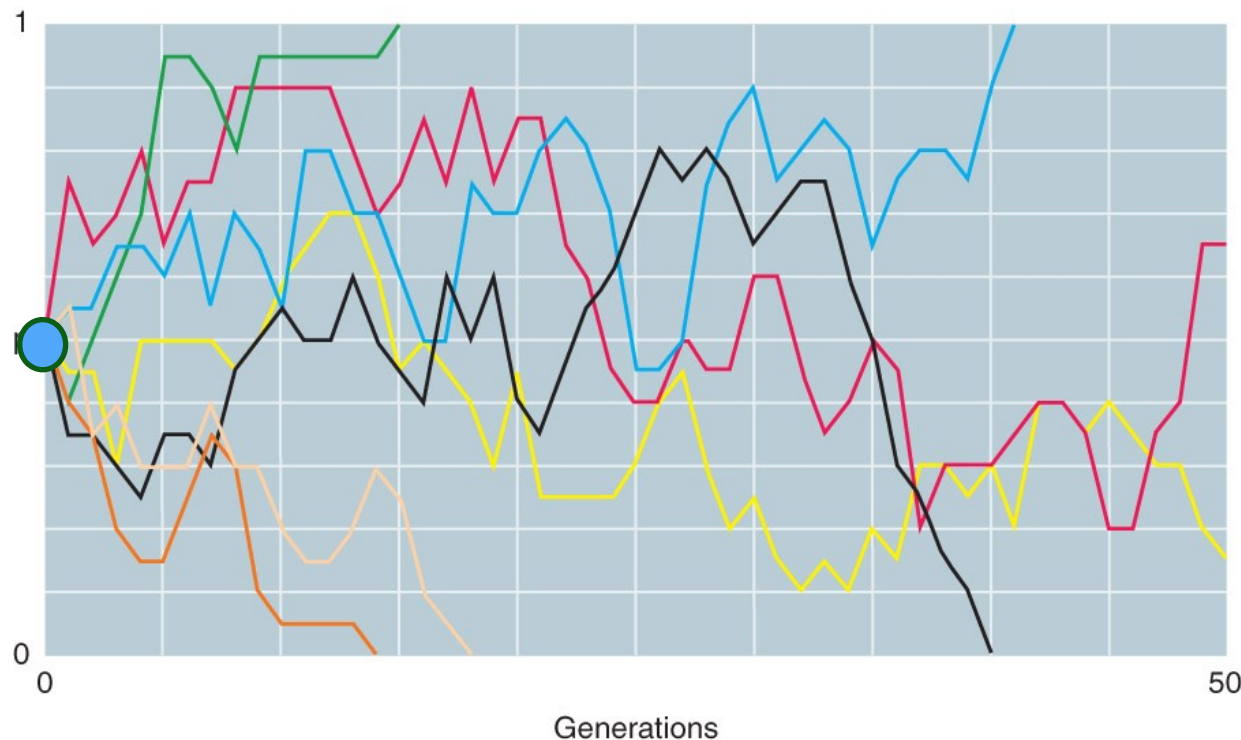


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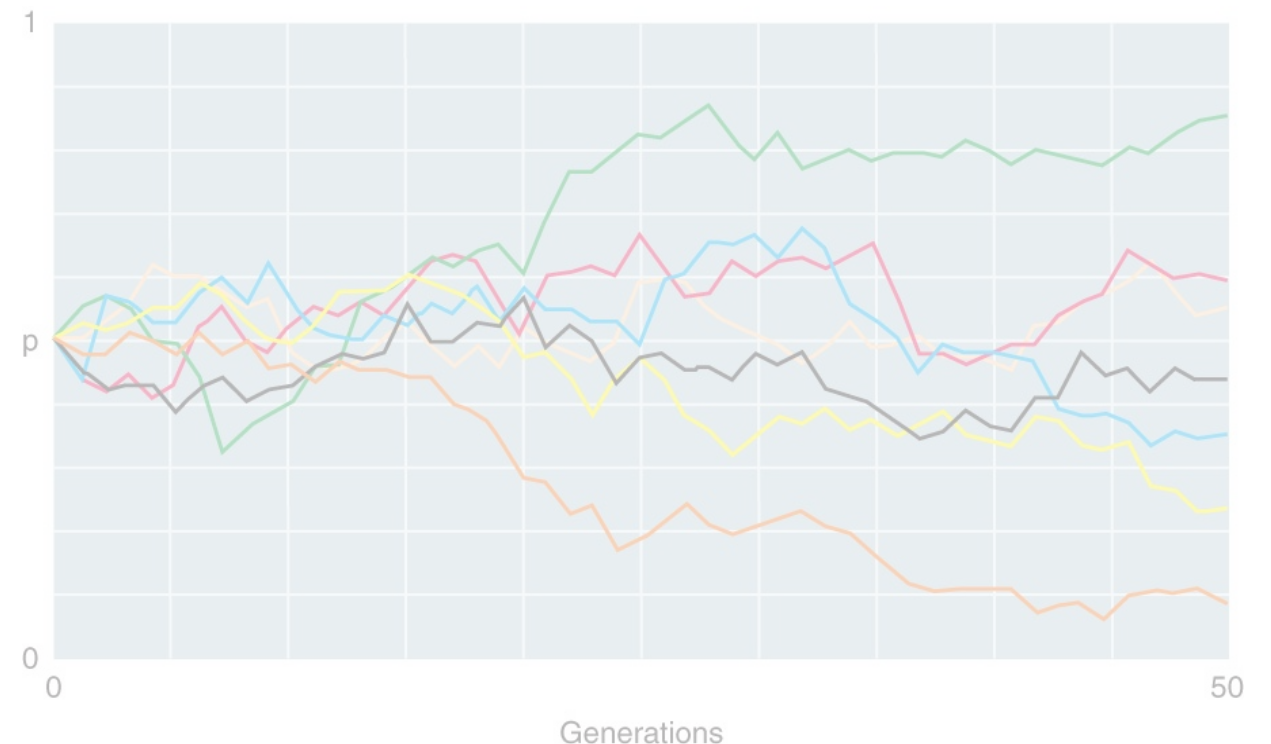
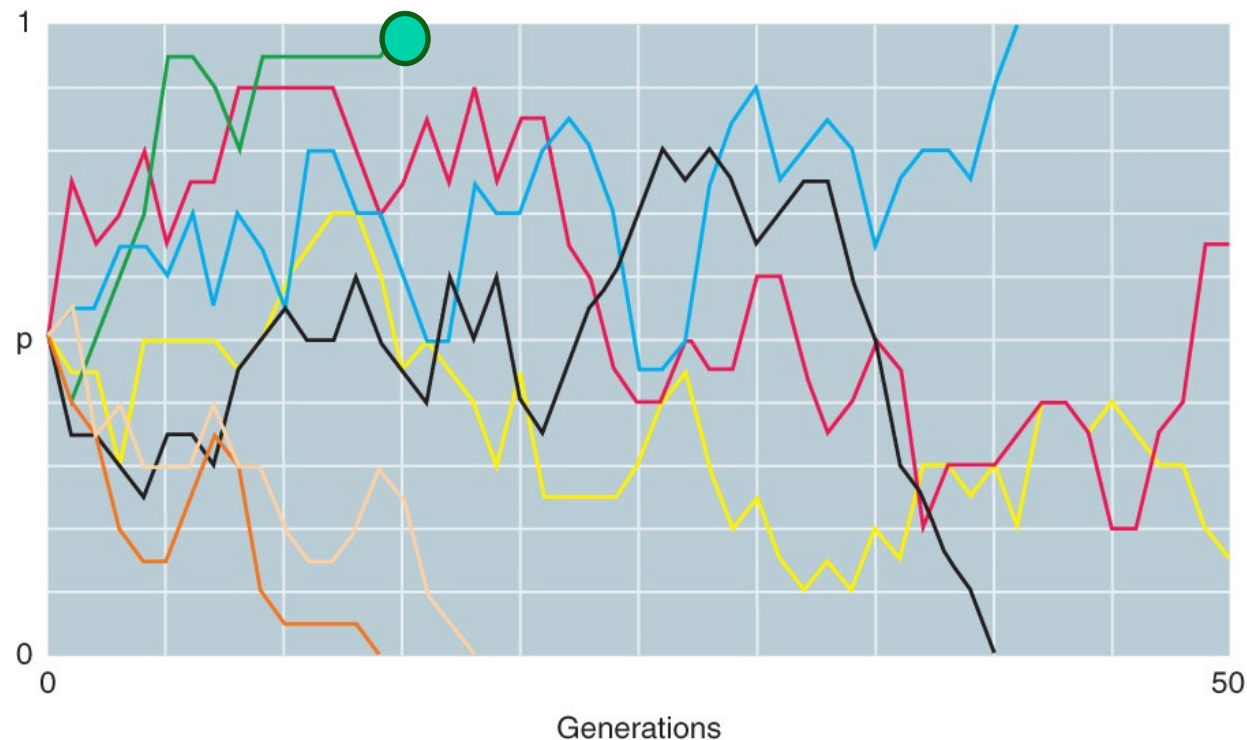
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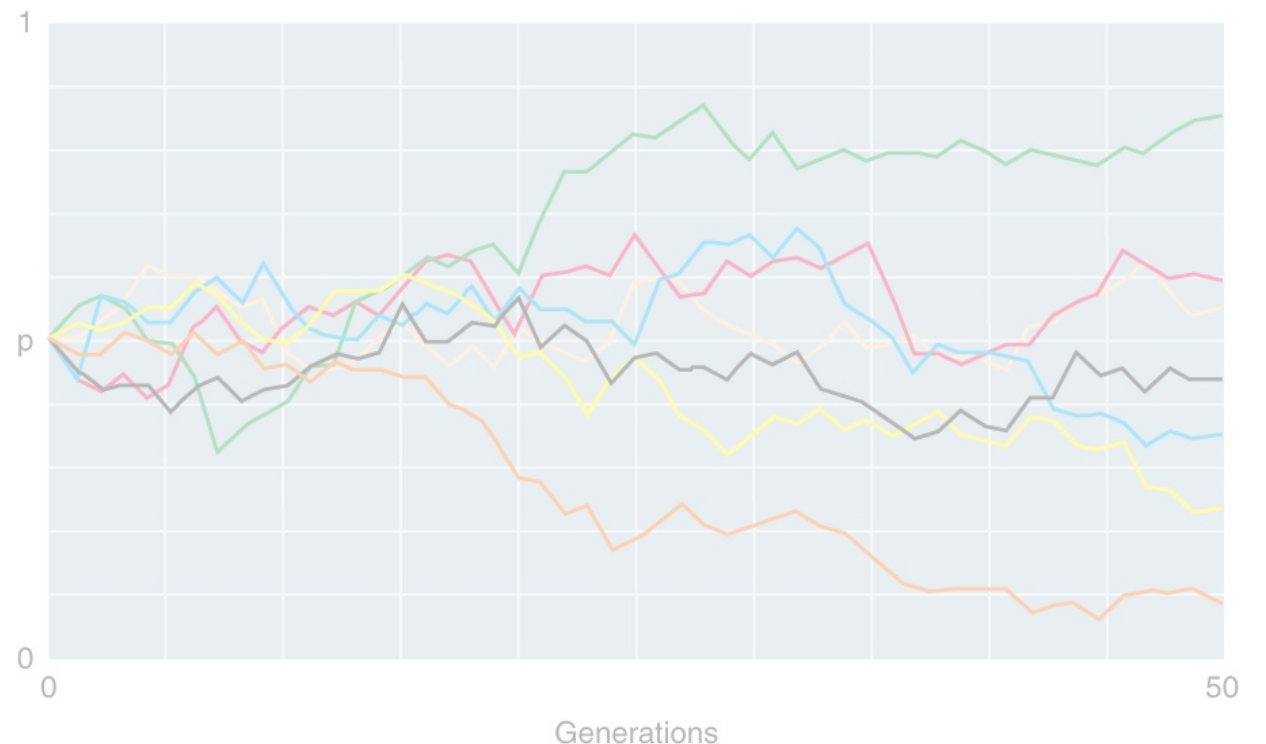
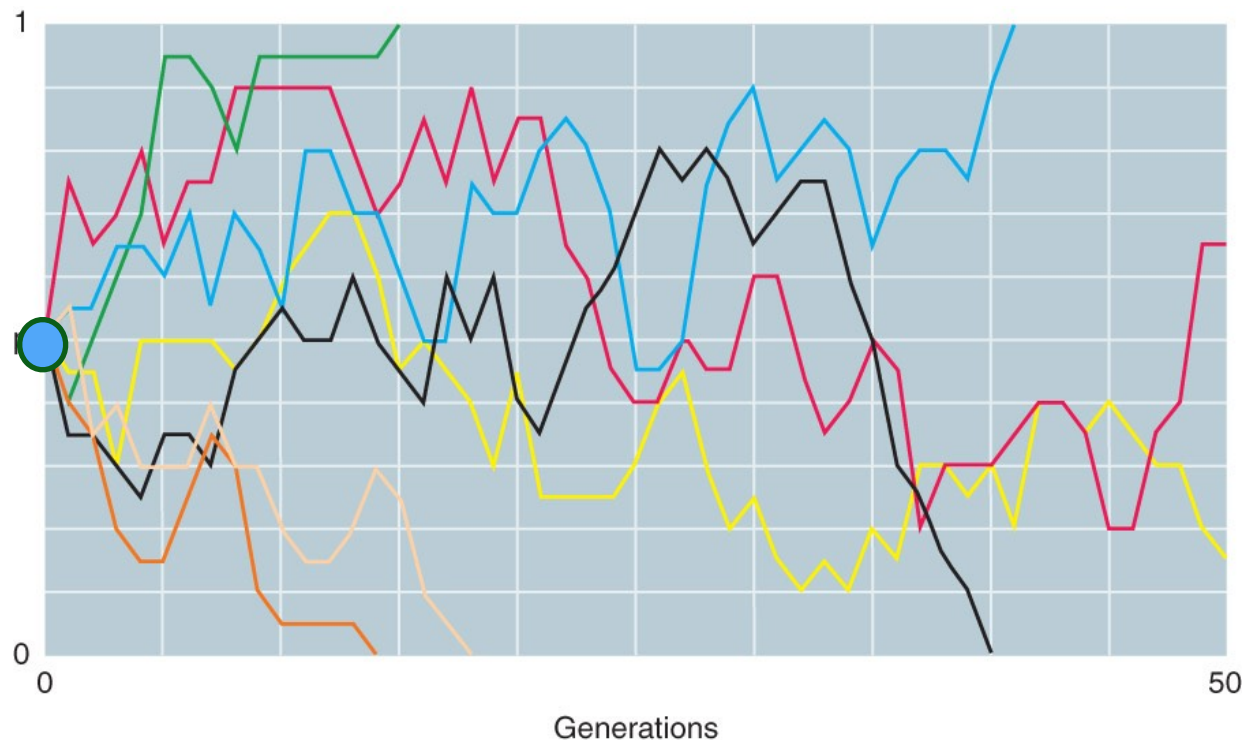
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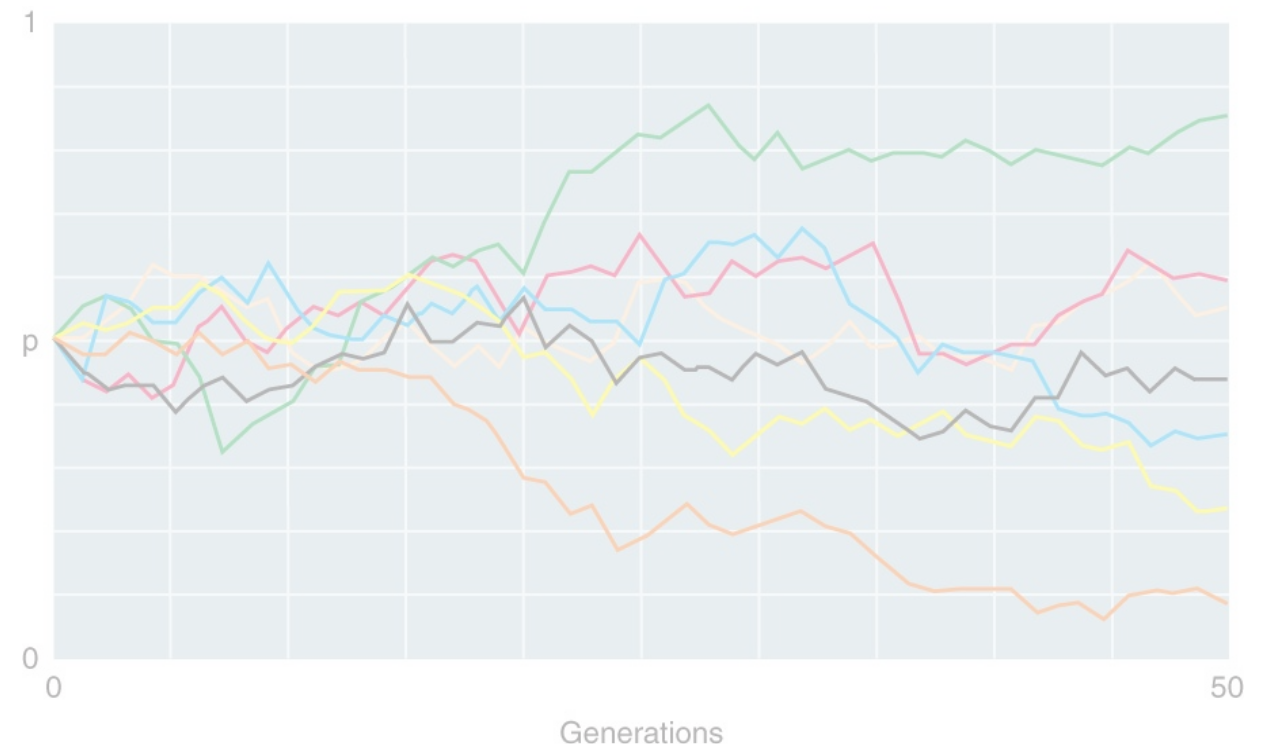
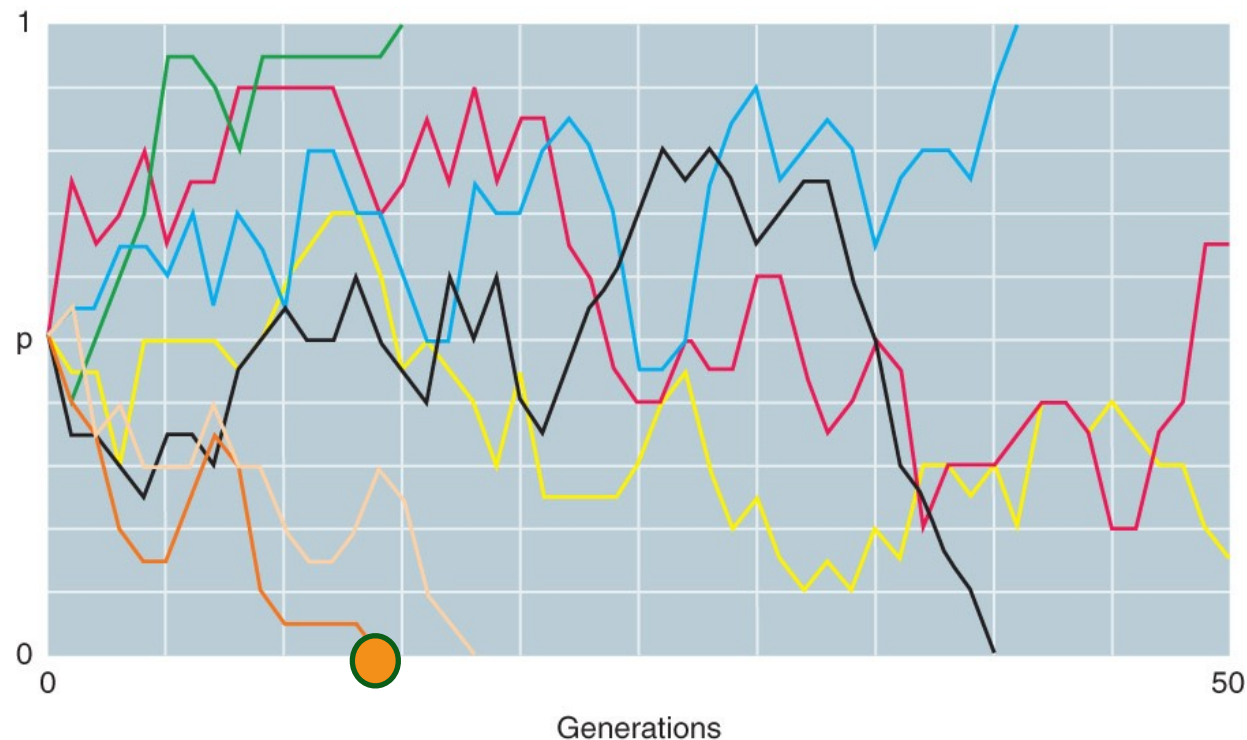
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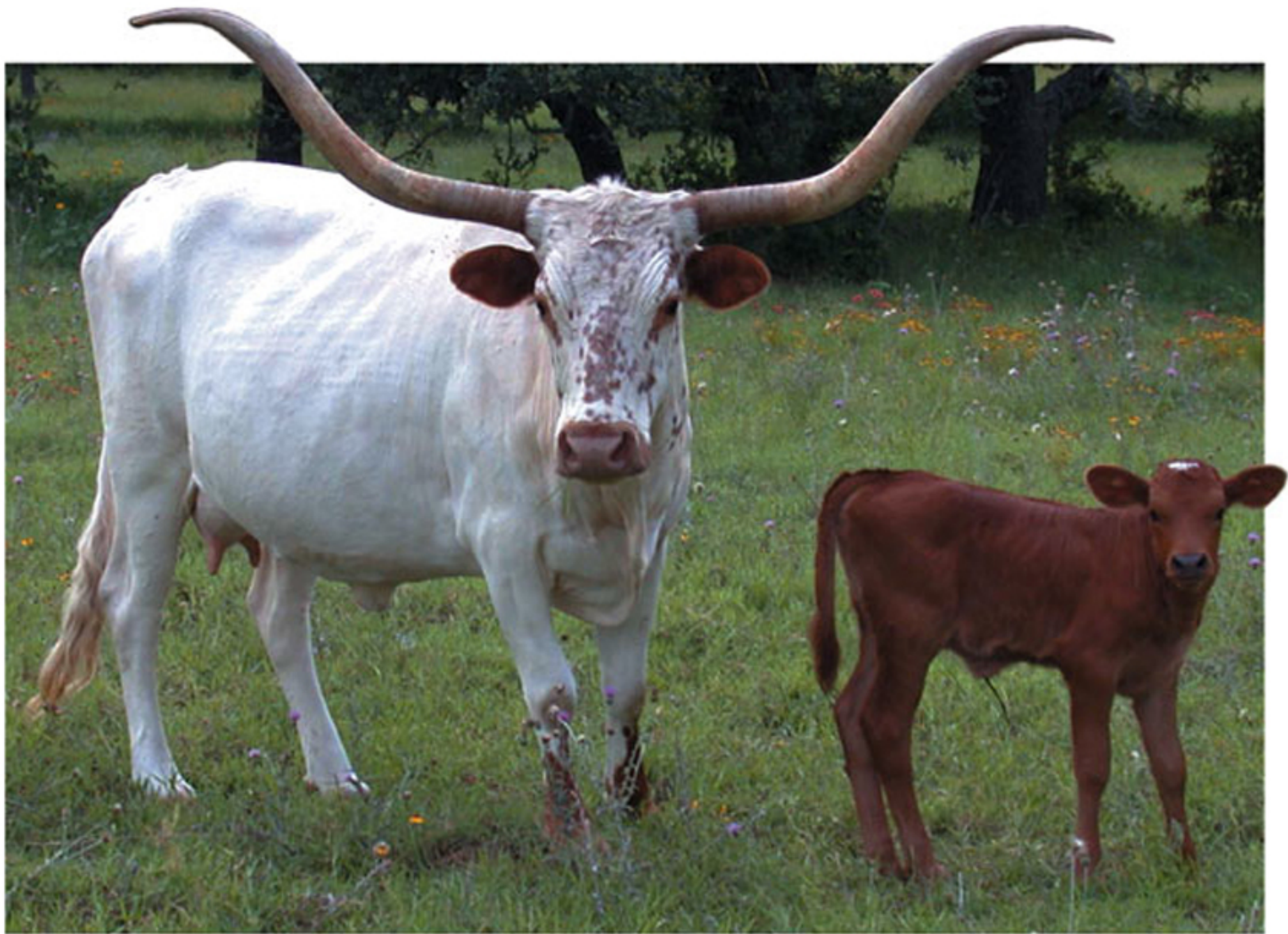
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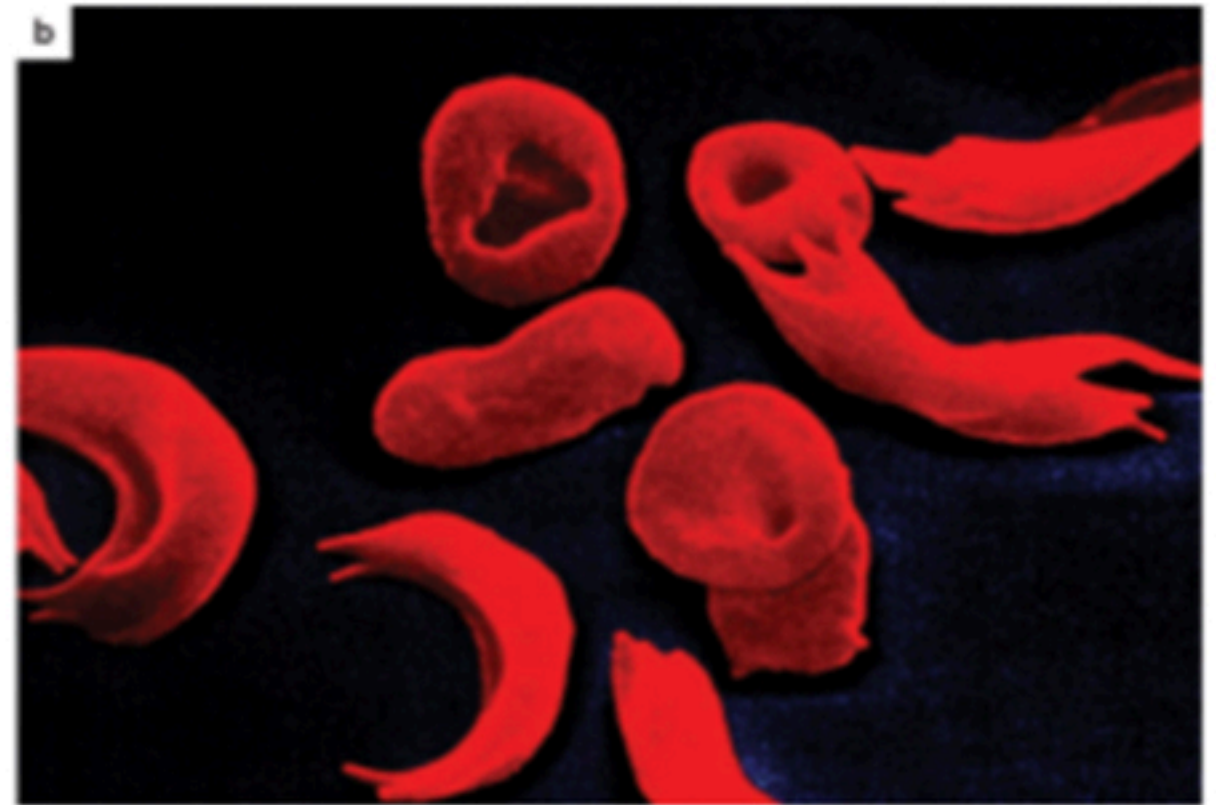
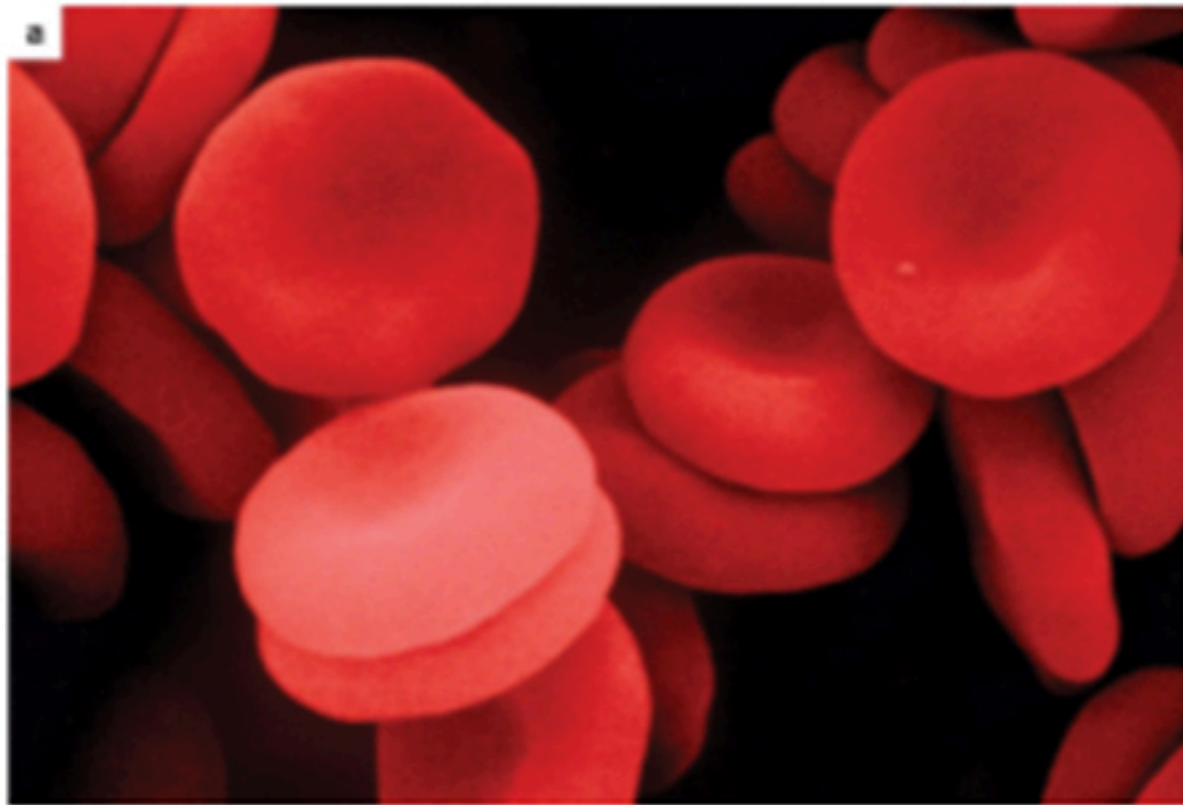
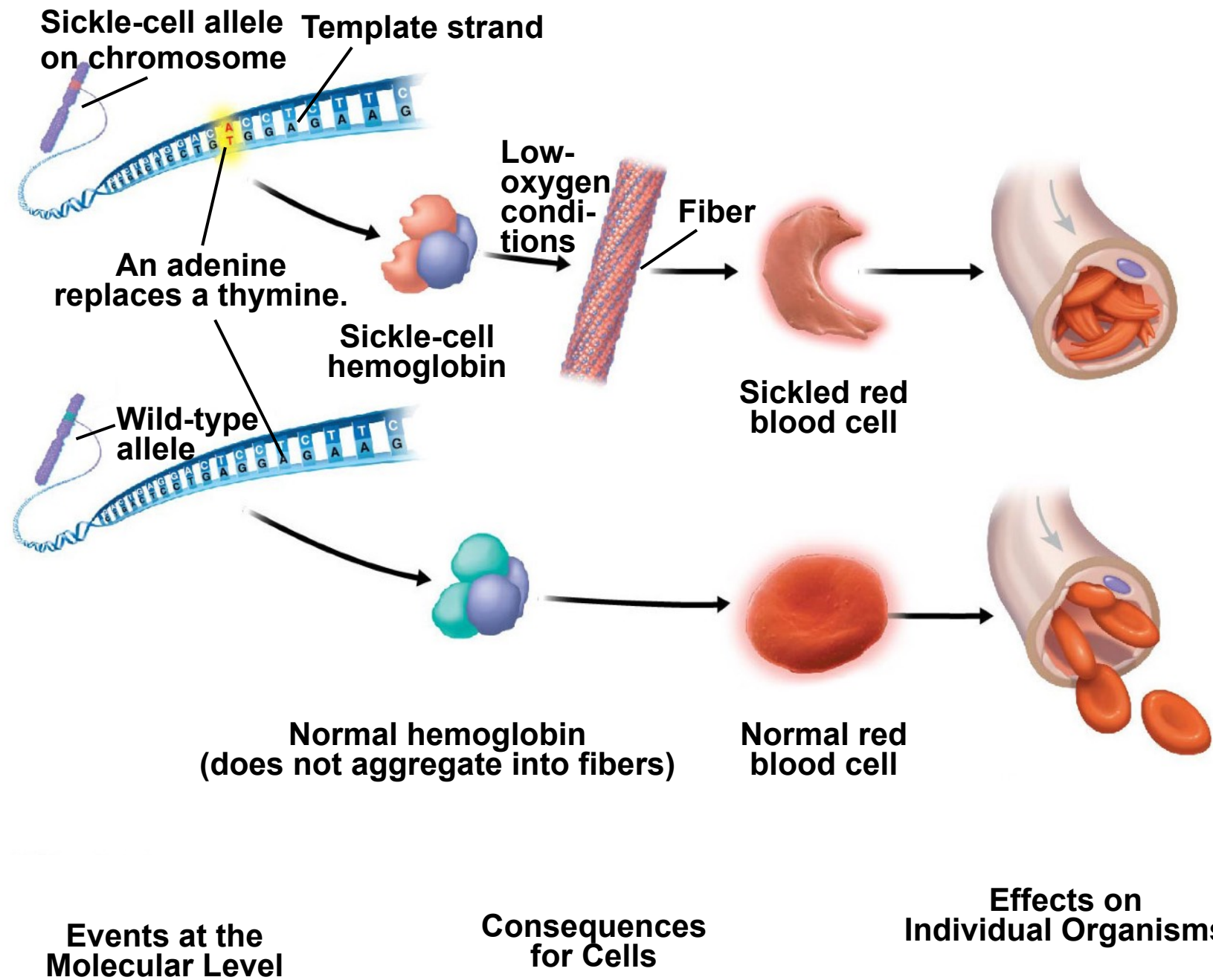
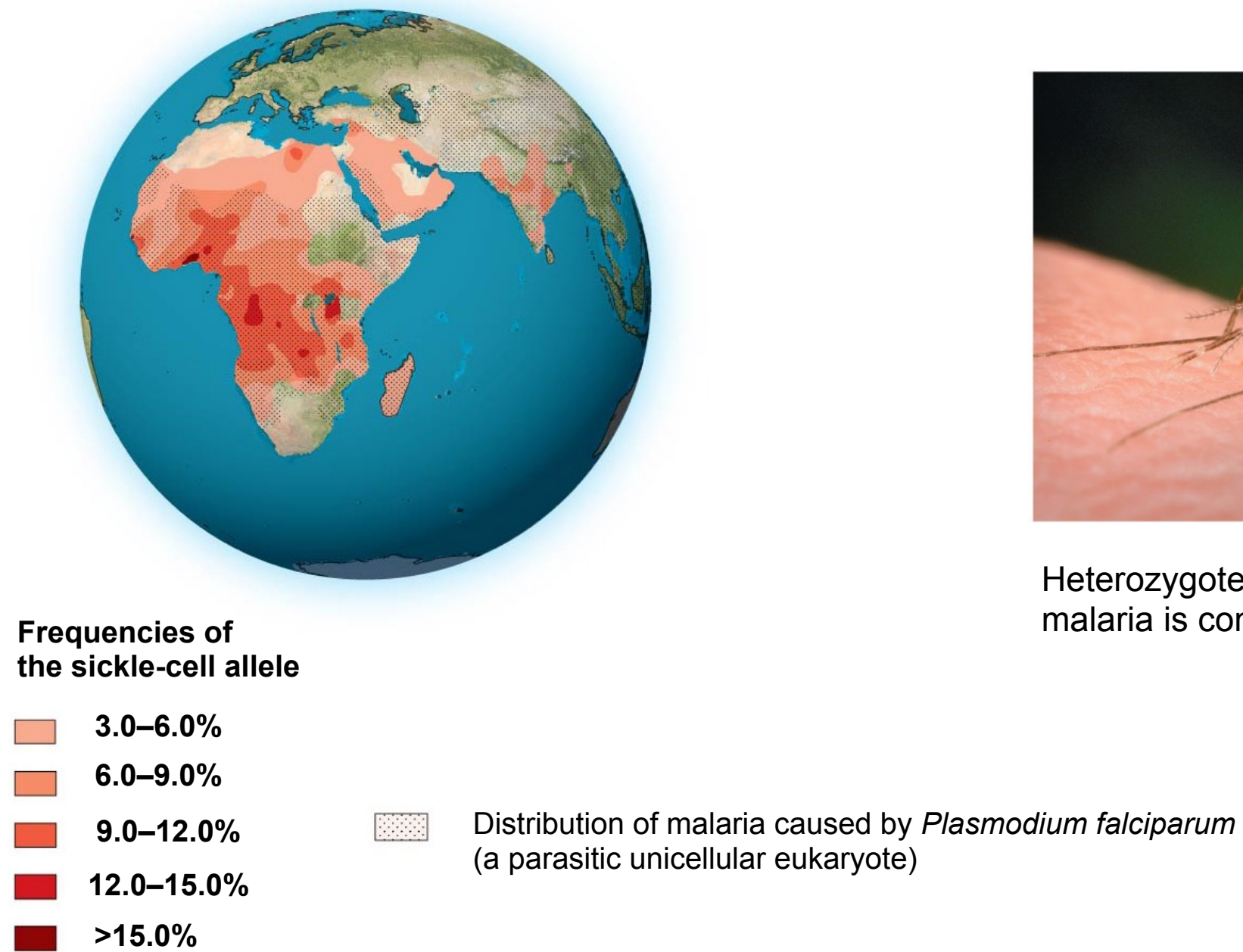


Figure 21.8: The effect of a single base-pair mutation. (a) Normal red blood cells look different from (b) sickled ones, whose shape has been distorted by hemoglobin molecules with the sickle variant.

Make Connections: The Sickle-Cell Allele





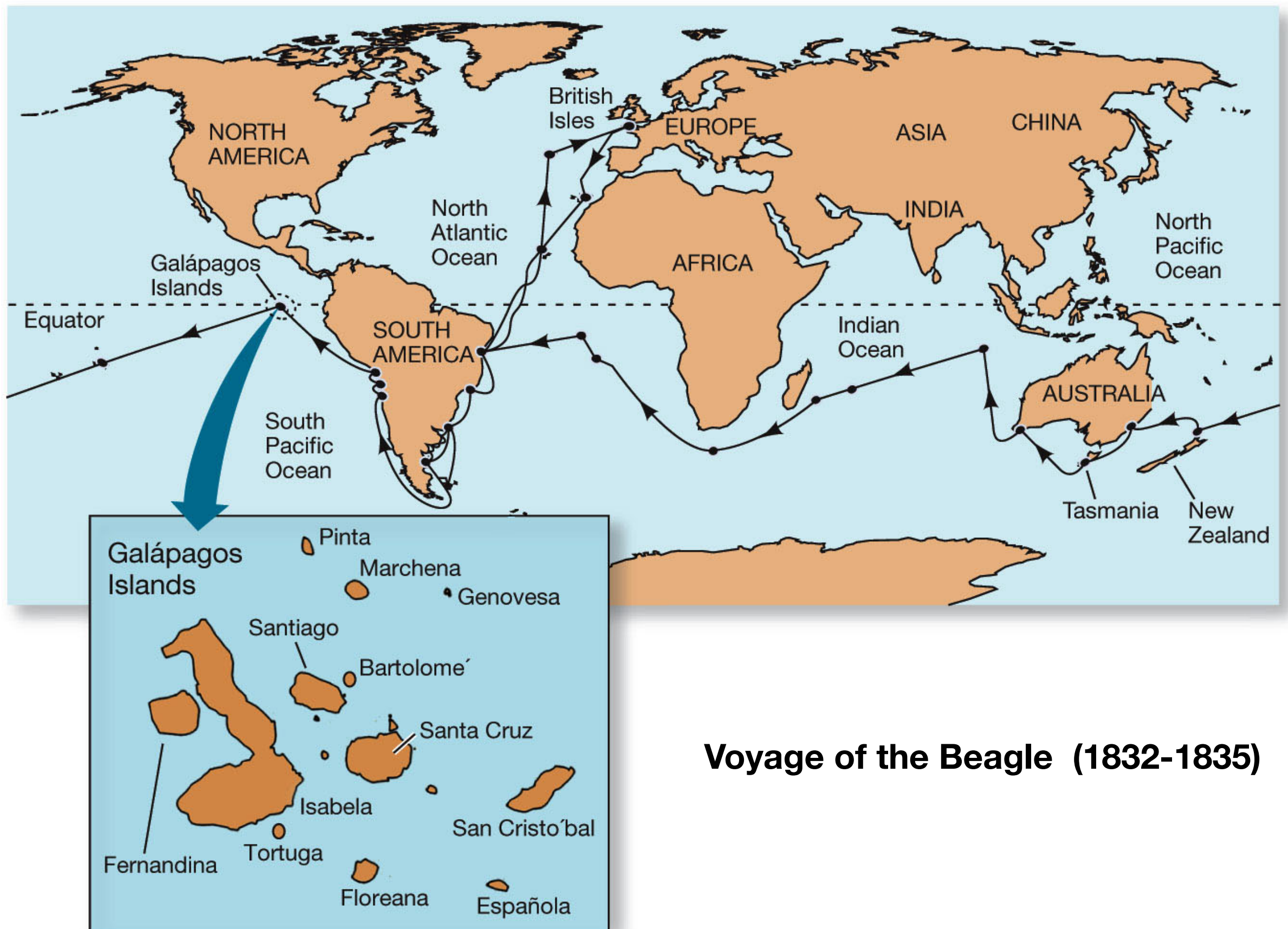
Heterozygote advantage in regions where malaria is common



Brown Eyes: 45 percent Blue Eyes: 27 percent Hazel Eyes: 18 percent

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Eye Colour is heavily influenced by geography and natural selection...



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Earth's Geological History (Part 2)

RELATIVE TIME SPAN	ERA	PERIOD	ONSET	MAJOR EVENTS IN THE HISTORY OF LIFE
 Precambrian	Cenozoic	Quaternary	1.8 mya	Humans evolve; many large mammals become extinct
		Tertiary	65 mya	Diversification of birds, mammals, flowering plants, and insects
	Mesozoic	Cretaceous	145 mya	Dinosaurs continue to diversify; flowering plants and mammals diversify; mass extinction at end of period (=76% of species disappear)
		Jurassic	200 mya	Diverse dinosaurs; radiation of ray-finned fishes
		Triassic	251 mya	Early dinosaurs; first mammals; marine invertebrates diversify; first flowering plants; mass extinction at end of period (=65% of species disappear)
	Paleozoic	Permian	297 mya	Reptiles diversify; amphibians decline; mass extinction at end of period (=96% of species disappear)
		Carboniferous	359 mya	Extensive "fern" forests; first reptiles; insects diversify
		Devonian	416 mya	Fishes diversify; first insects and amphibians; mass extinction at end of period (=75% of species disappear)
		Silurian	444 mya	Jawless fishes diversify; first ray-finned fishes; plants and animals colonize land
		Ordovician	488 mya	Mass extinction at end of period (=75% of species disappear)
		Cambrian	542 mya	Most animal phyla present; diverse photosynthetic protists
	Precambrian		600 mya	Ediacaran fauna
			1.5 bya	Eukaryotes evolve; several animal phyla appear
			3.8 bya	Origin of life; prokaryotes flourish
			4.5 bya	

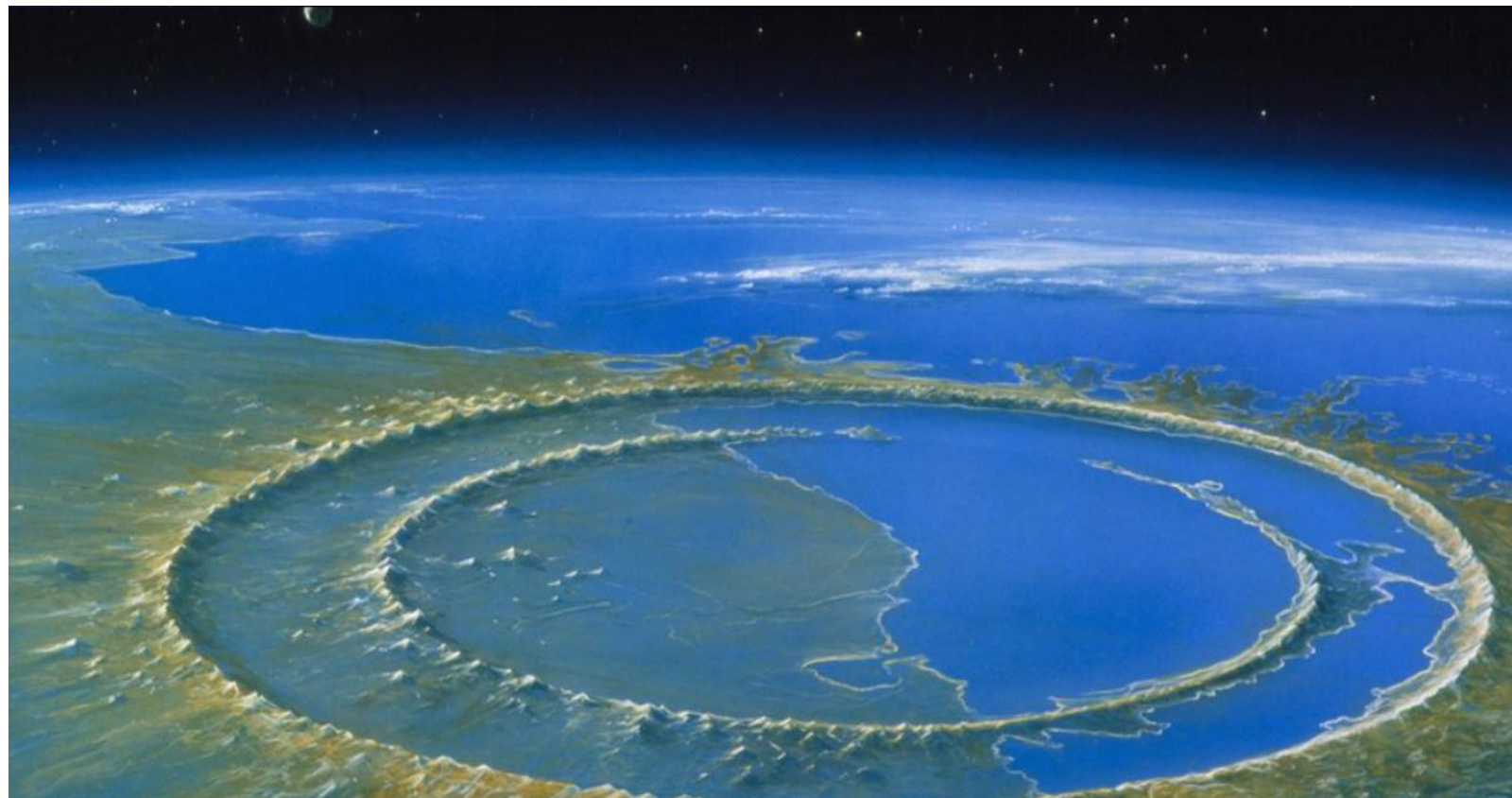
^amya, million years ago; bya, billion years ago.

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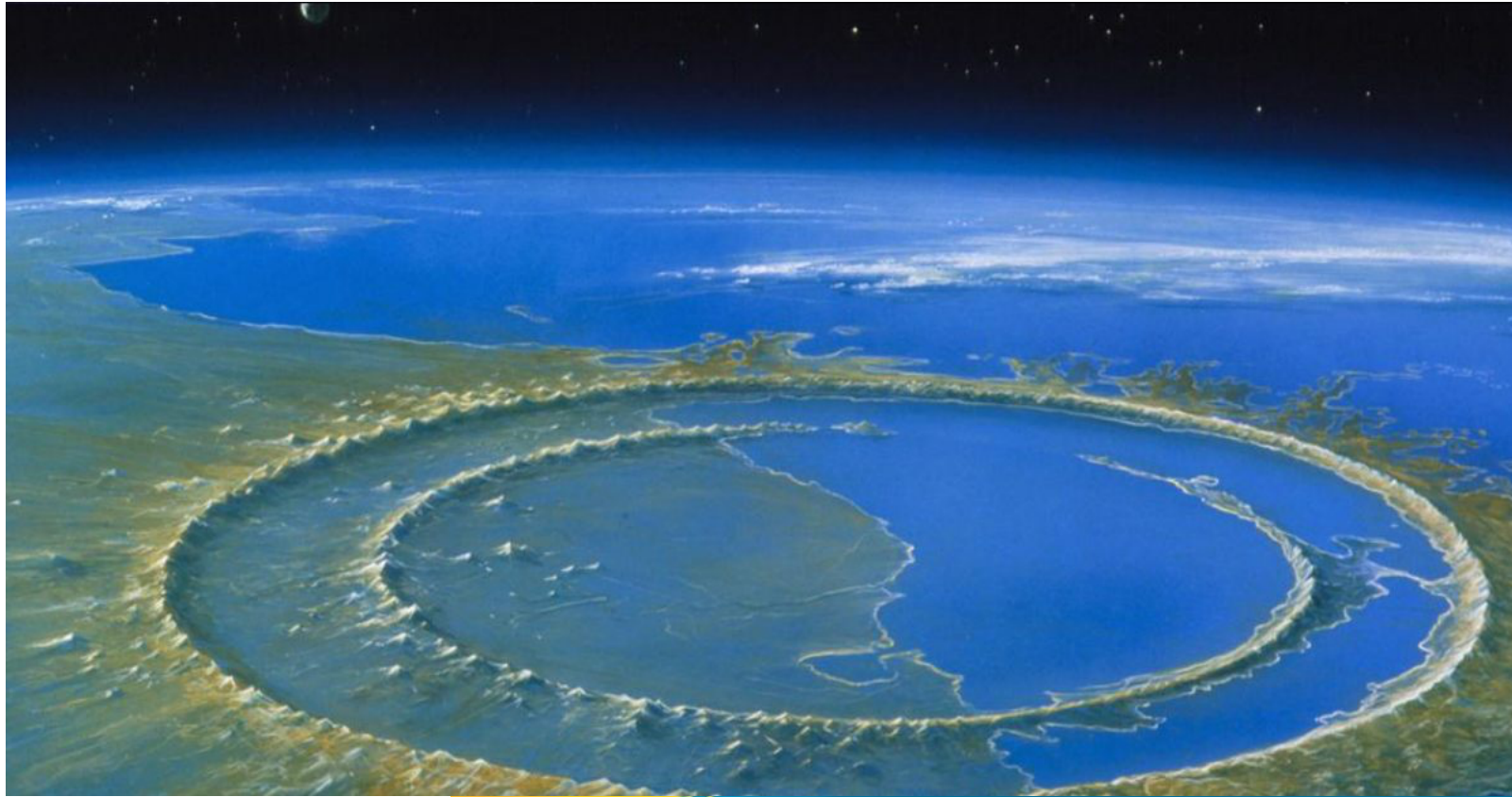
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Toba catastrophe theory

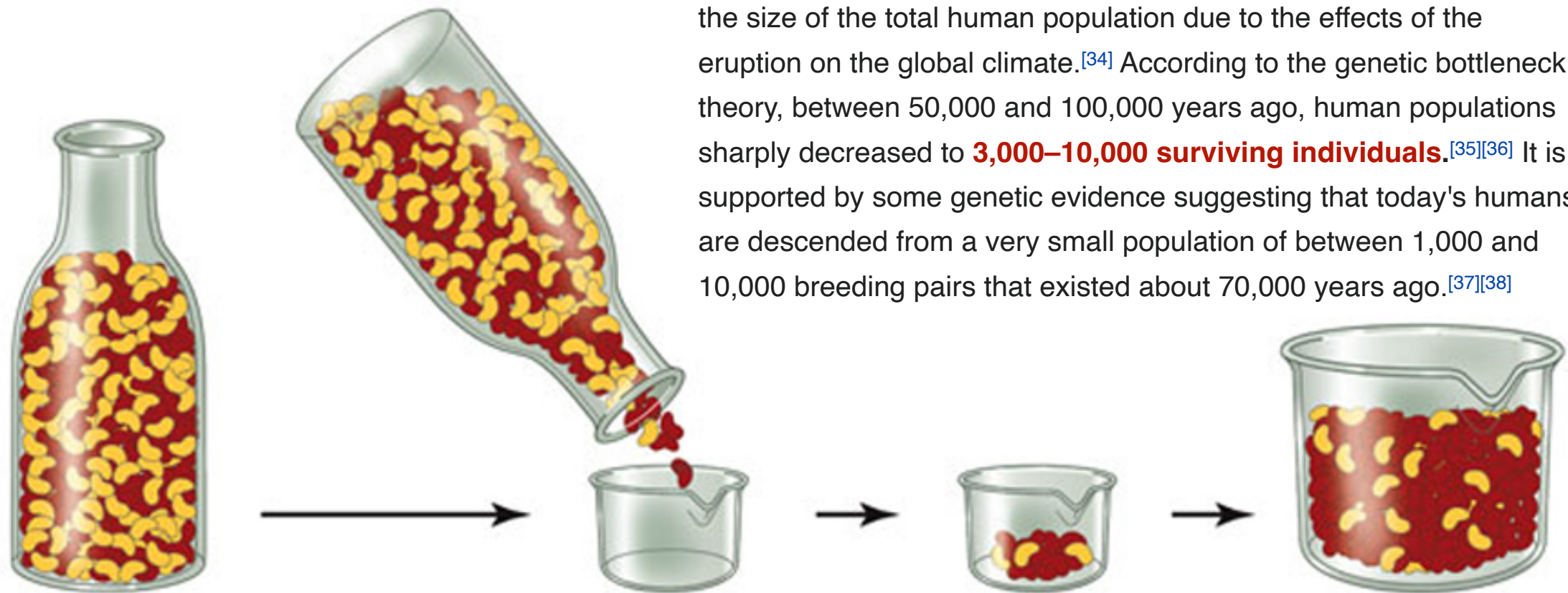
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The **Toba supereruption** was a [supervolcanic eruption](#) that occurred about 75,000 years ago at the site of present-day [Lake Toba](#) in [Sumatra, Indonesia](#). It is one of the [Earth's largest known eruptions](#). The **Toba catastrophe theory** holds that this event caused a global [volcanic winter](#) lasting tens of thousands of years and possibly a 1,000-year-long cooling episode.

Bottlenecks

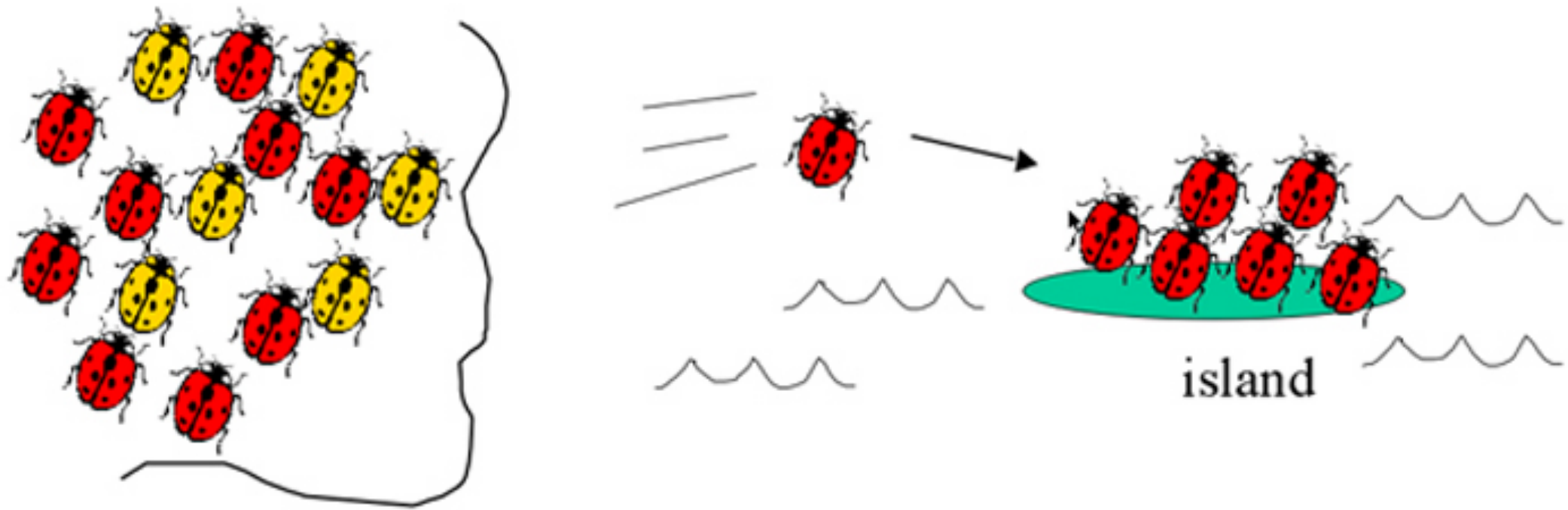
In 1993, science journalist Ann Gibbons posited that a [population bottleneck](#) occurred in human evolution about 70,000 years ago, and she suggested that this was caused by the eruption. Geologist [Michael R. Rampino](#) of [New York University](#) and volcanologist Stephen Self of the [University of Hawaii at Manoa](#) support her suggestion. In 1998, the bottleneck theory was further developed by anthropologist Stanley H. Ambrose of the [University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign](#). Both the link and global winter theories are highly controversial.^[1] The Toba event is the most closely studied supereruption.^{[2][3]}

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The case of **Huntington's disease** in South Africa

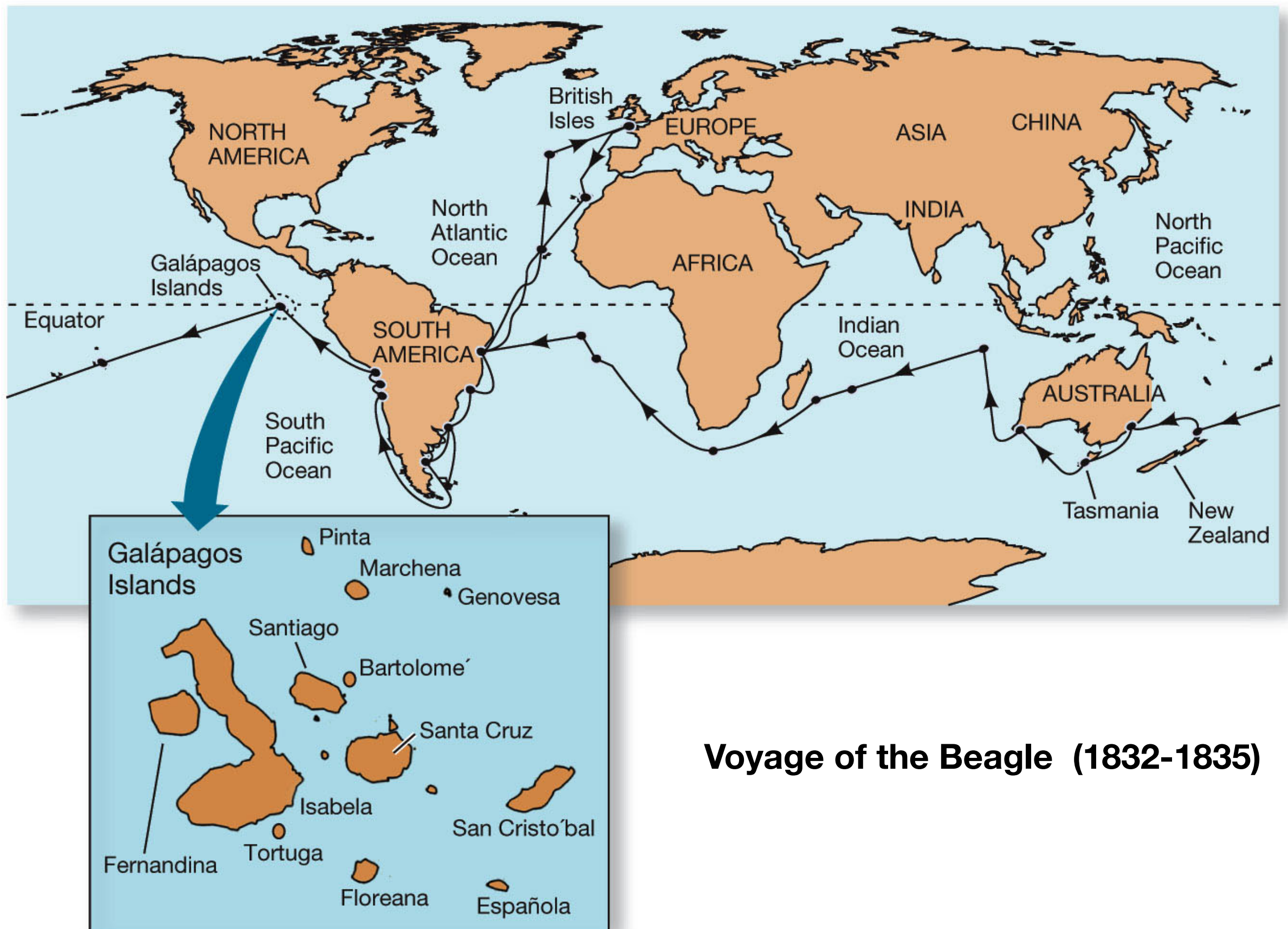
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Given all this, might the "forces of evolution" work equally well on populations that have a limited **gene pool**, as they do in those **populations** with a much larger -effectively infinite- variety of alleles within its **gene pool**?

Yes or **No**?

Given all this, Are there any other constraints to evolutionary change(s)?

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Mutations localized changes in the DNA blueprint that may or may not change the phenotypic characteristics, ultimately providing small changes in **genes /alleles** -see Genetic Drift

Given all this, Are there any other constraints to evolutionary change(s)?

Answer: **Yes.**

How did we get such a diverse gene pool?



1859

ON THE ORIGIN OF SPECIES.

INTRODUCTION.

When on board H.M.S. 'Beagle,' as naturalist, I was much struck with certain facts in the distribution of the inhabitants of South America, and in the geological relations of the present to the past inhabitants of that continent. These facts seemed to me to throw some light on the origin of species—that mystery of mysteries, as it has been called by one of our greatest philosophers. On my return home, it occurred to me, in 1837, that something might perhaps be made out on this question by patiently accumulating and reflecting on all sorts of facts which could possibly have any bearing on it. After five years' work I allowed myself to speculate on the subject, and drew up some short notes; these I enlarged in 1844 into a sketch of the conclusions, which then seemed to me probable: from that period to the present day I have steadily pursued the same object. I hope that I may be excused for entering on these personal details, as I give them to show that I have not been hasty in coming to a decision.

My work is now nearly finished; but as it will take me two or three more years to complete it, and as my health is far from strong, I have been urged to publish this Abstract. I have more especially been induced to do this, as Mr. Wallace, who is now studying the natural history of the Malay archipelago, has arrived at almost exactly the same general conclusions that I have on the origin of species. Last year he sent to me a memoir on this subject, with a request that I would forward it to Sir Charles Lyell, who sent it to the Linnean Society, and it is published in the third volume of the Journal of that Society. Sir C. Lyell and Dr. Hooker, who both knew of my work—the latter having read my sketch of 1844—honoured me by thinking it advisable to publish, with Mr. Wallace's excellent memoir, some brief extracts from my manuscripts.

This Abstract, which I now publish, must necessarily be imperfect. I cannot here give references and authorities for my several statements; and I must trust to the reader reposing some confidence in my accuracy. No doubt errors will have crept in, though I hope I have always been cautious in trusting to good authorities alone. I can here give only the general conclusions at which I have

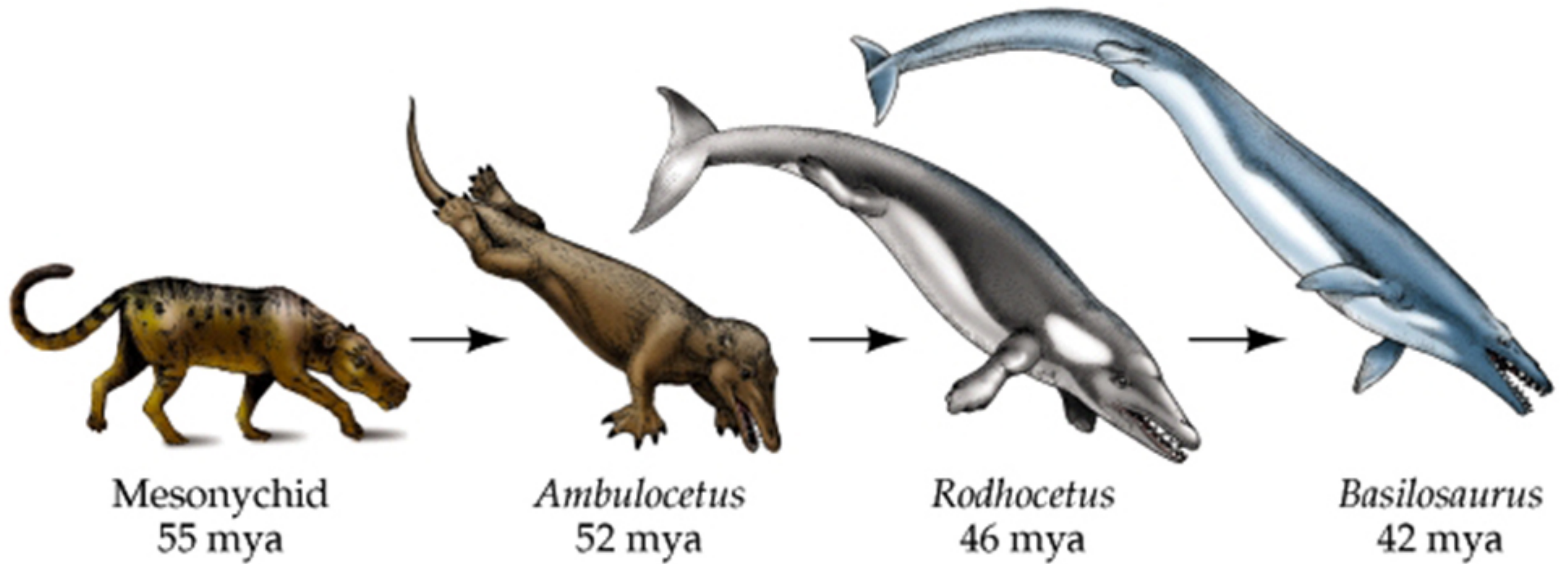
In considering the Origin of Species, it is quite conceivable that a naturalist, reflecting on the mutual affinities of organic beings, on their embryological relations, their geographical distribution, geological succession, and other such facts, might come to the conclusion **that each species had not been independently created, but had descended, like varieties, from other species.**

Nevertheless, such a conclusion, even if well founded, would be **unsatisfactory**, until it could be shown how the innumerable species inhabiting this world **have been modified, so as to acquire that perfection of structure and coadaptation** which most justly excites our admiration.

and that these had been produced perfect as we now see them; but this assumption seems to me to be no explanation, for it leaves the case of the coadaptations of organic beings to each other and to their physical conditions of life, untouched and unexplained.

It is, therefore, of the highest importance to gain a clear insight into the means of modification and coadaptation. At the commencement of my observations it seemed to me probable that a careful study of domesticated animals and of cultivated plants would offer the best chance of making out this obscure problem. Nor have I been disappointed; in this and in all other perplexing cases I have invariably found that our knowledge, imperfect though it be, of variation under domestication, afforded the best and safest clue. I may venture to express my conviction of the high value of such studies, although they have been very commonly neglected by naturalists.

From these considerations, I shall devote the first chapter of this Abstract to Variation under Domestication. We shall thus see that a large amount of hereditary modification is at least possible, and, what is equally or more important, we shall see how great is the power of man in accumulating by his Selection successive slight variations. I will then pass on to the variability of species in a state of nature; but I shall, unfortunately, be compelled to treat this subject far too briefly, as it can be treated properly only by giving long catalogues of facts. We shall, however, be enabled to discuss what circumstances are most favourable to variation. In the next chapter the Struggle for Existence amongst all organic beings throughout the world, which inevitably follows from their high geometrical powers of increase, will be treated of. This is the doctrine of Malthus, applied to the whole animal and vegetable kingdoms. As many more individuals of each species are born than can possibly survive; and as, consequently, there is a frequently recurring struggle for existence, it follows that any being, if it vary however slightly in any manner profitable to itself, under the complex and sometimes varying conditions of life, will have a better chance of surviving, and thus be NATURALLY SELECTED. From the strong principle of inheritance, any selected variety will tend to propagate its new and modified form.



Fossil Records... Evolution of Whales?

Phiomictetus anubis

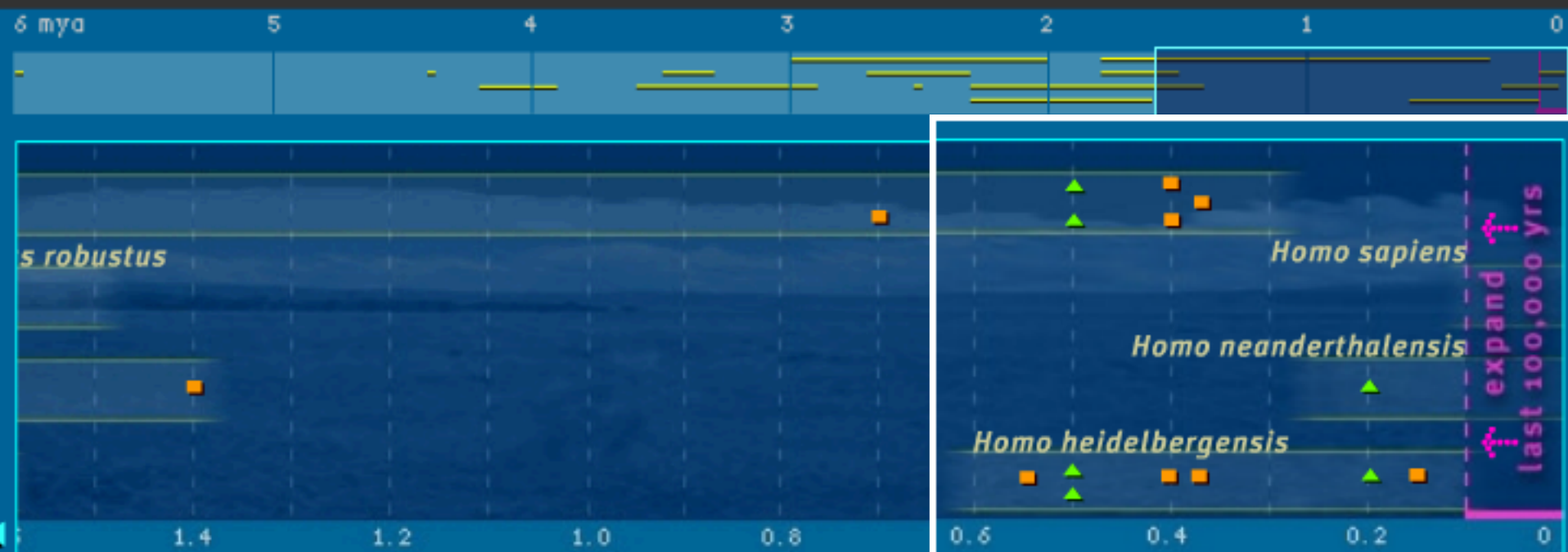


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ORIGINS OF HUMANKIND

6 million years ago (mya) to present

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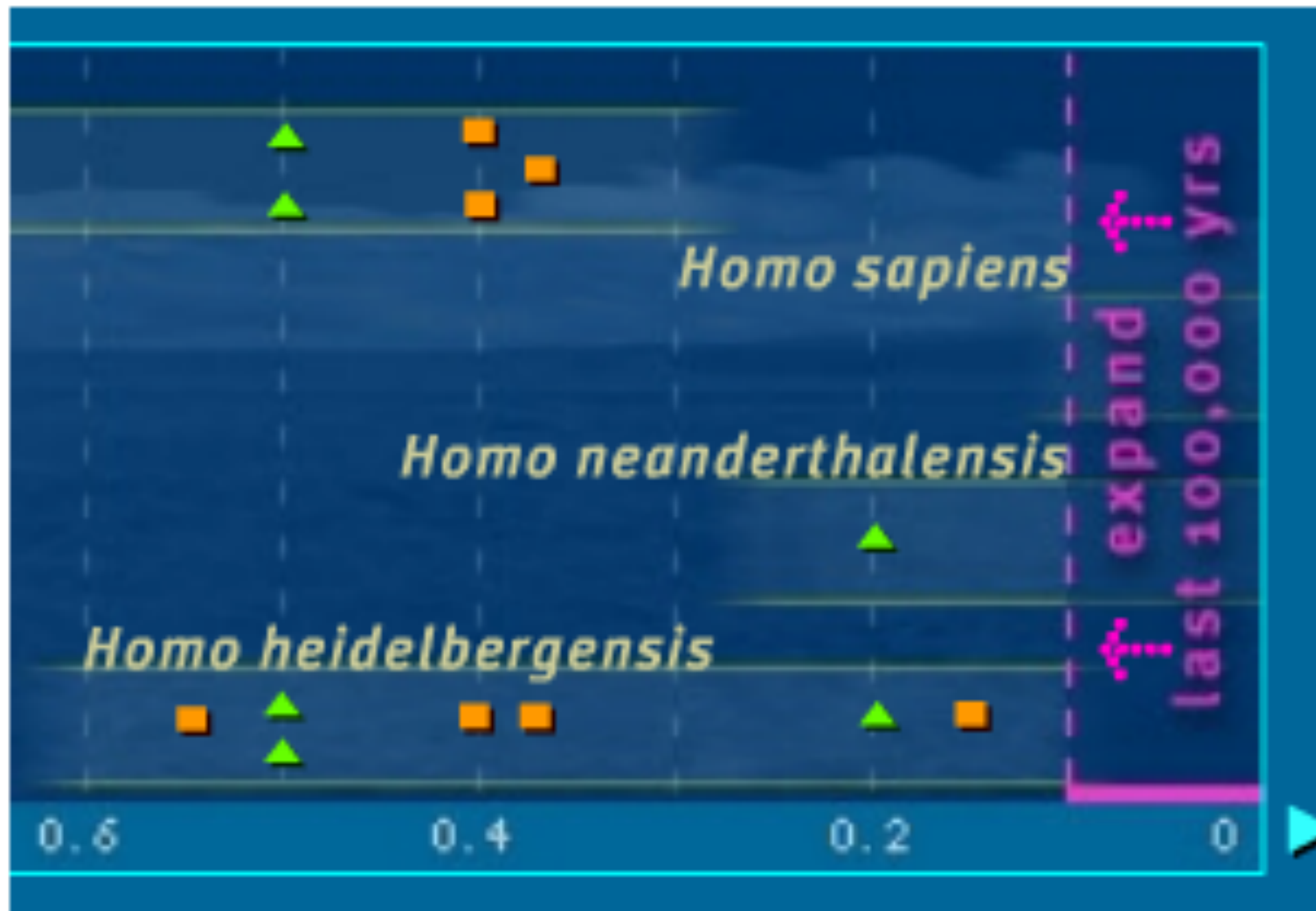
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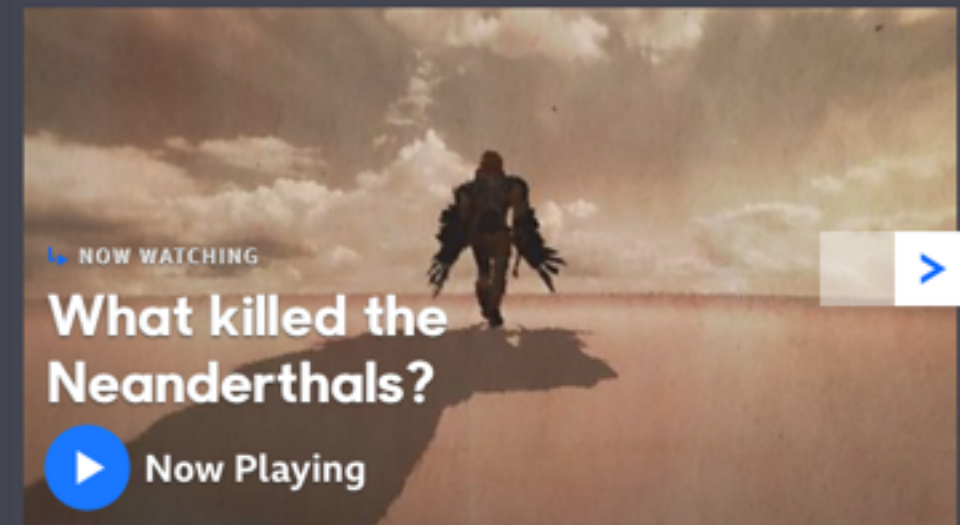
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Carl Linnaeus

Swedish botanist

Carl Linnaeus, also known after his ennoblement as Carl von Linné, was a Swedish botanist, zoologist, and physician who formalised binomial nomenclature, the modern system of naming organisms. He is known as the "father of modern taxonomy". [Wikipedia](#)

Born: May 23, 1707, [Råshult, Älmhult Municipality, Sweden](#)

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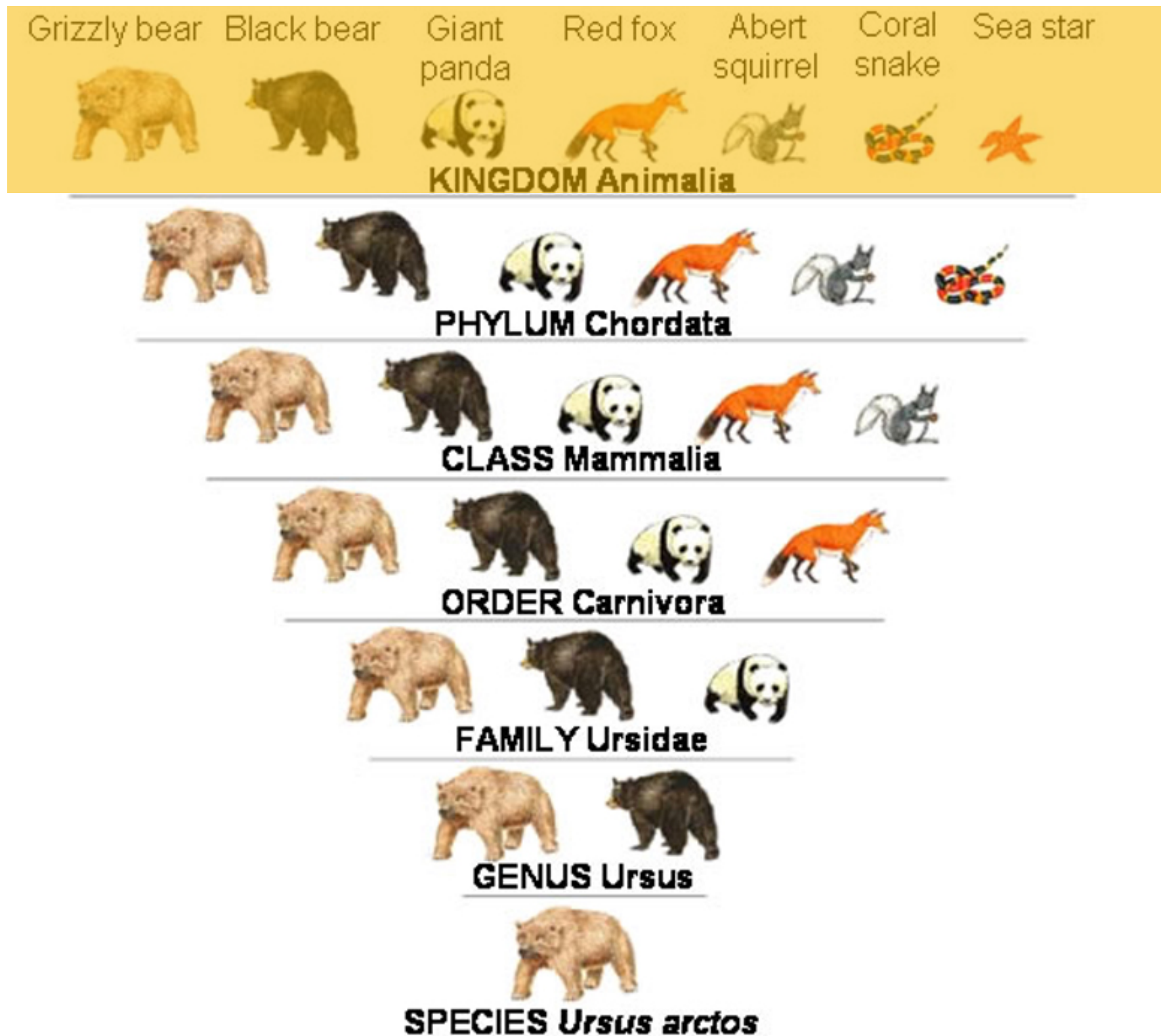
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Pidgeon Hole

To pigeon hole: to fairly or unfairly think of or describe (someone or something) as belonging to a particular group, having only a particular skill, etc.

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Black Widow Spiders

(A)



Agelaius phoeniceus
Male, New York



Agelaius phoeniceus
Male, British Columbia





(a) Similarity between different species. The eastern meadowlark (*Sturnella magna*, left) and the western meadowlark (*Sturnella neglecta*, right) have similar body shapes and colorations. Nevertheless, they are distinct biological species because their songs and other behaviors are different enough to prevent interbreeding should they meet in the wild.

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How many kingdoms are there....?

- (A) 3,
- (B) 4,
- (C) 5,
- (D) 6,
- (E) 8.

Monera / Archaea / Protista / Fungi / Plantae / Animalia /
Insecta / Panera / Pianera / Protozoa



Insect

Animal

Insects or Insecta are hexapod invertebrates and the largest group within the arthropod phylum. Definitions and circumscriptions vary; usually, insects comprise a class within the Arthropoda. As used here, the term Insecta is synonymous with Ectognatha. [Wikipedia](#)

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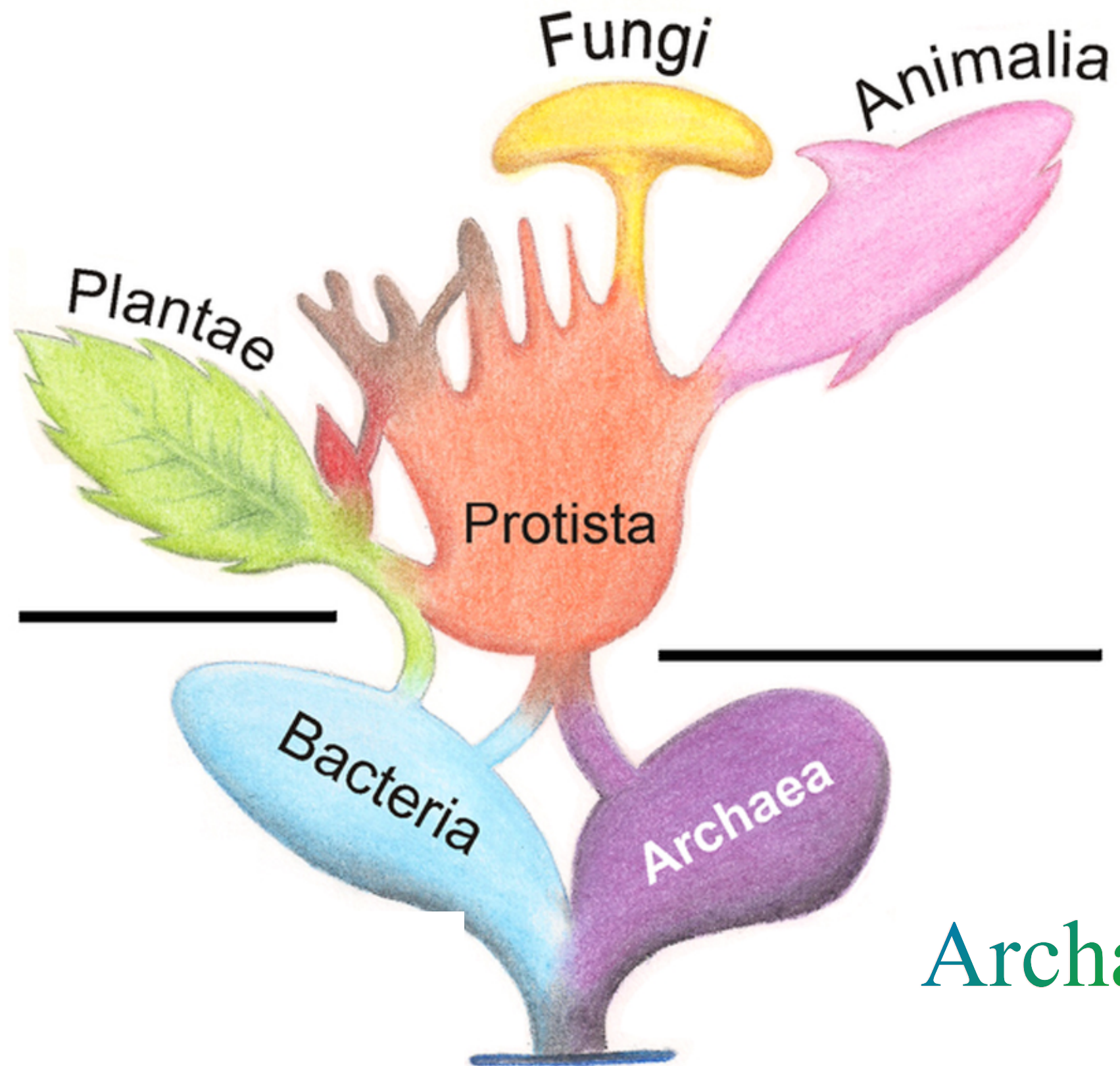
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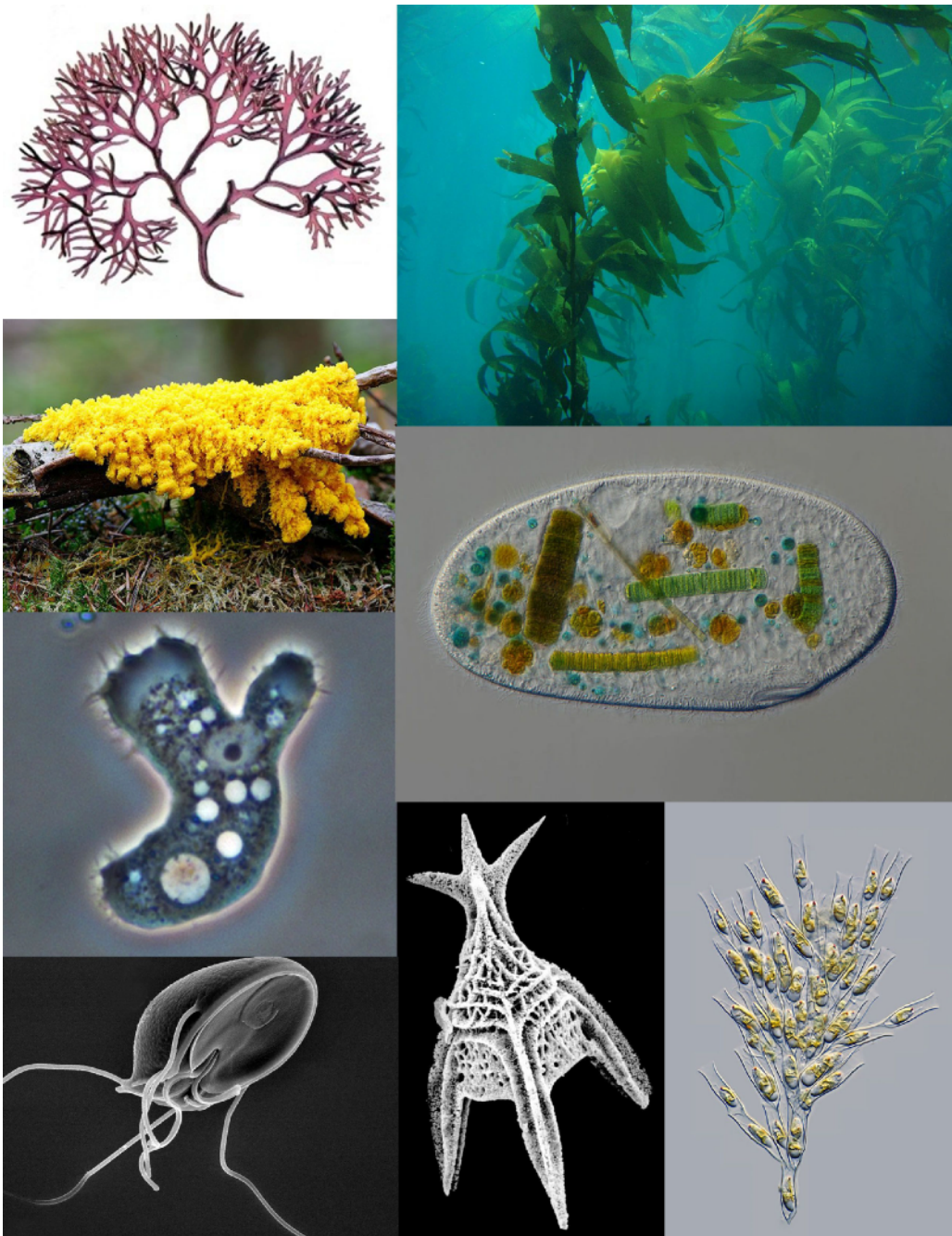
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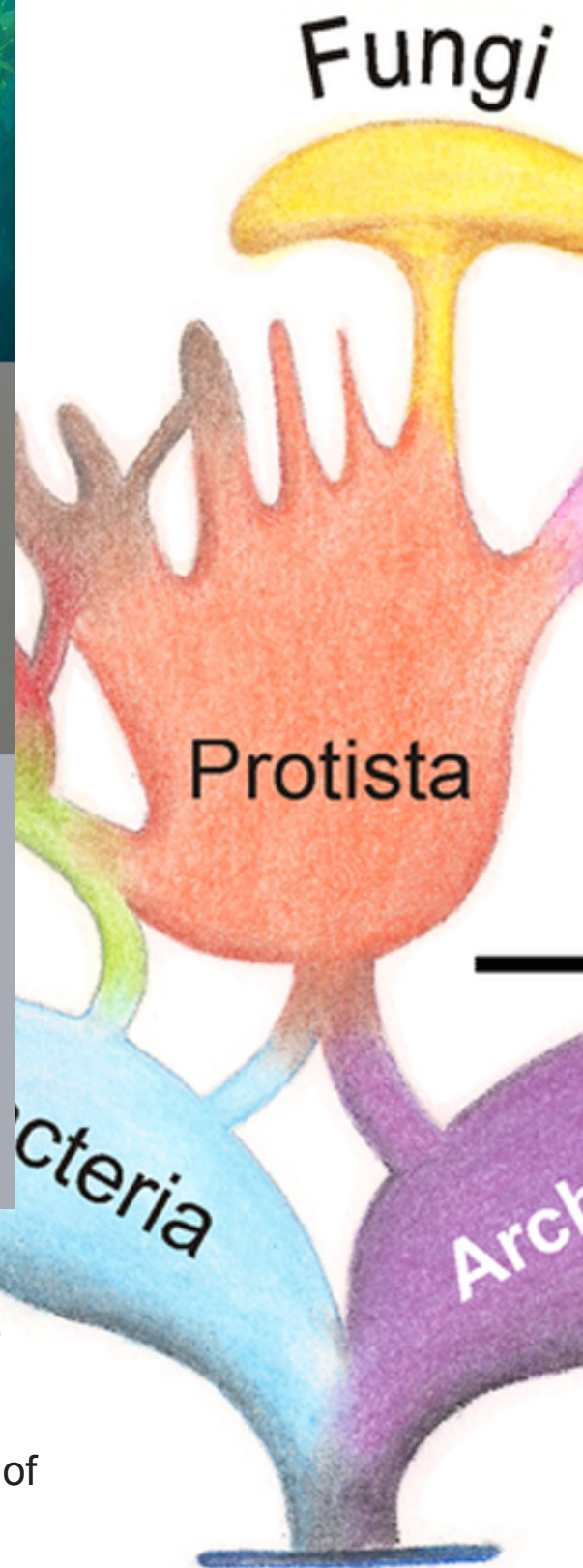


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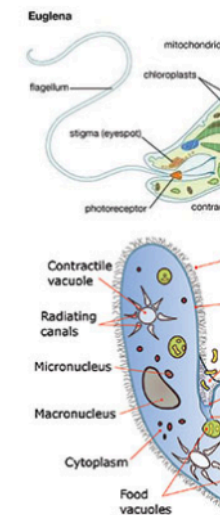
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Protista is a large complex grouping of mostly unicellular eukaryotic organisms. They are morphologically diverse and can be found in most terrestrial, aquatic, and marine habitats as free-living forms and as parasites of other protists, of fungi, and of plants and animals. eg. algae, amoeba euglena etc.



Protozoa may be colonies, without



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1. There are about 50,000 species of protozoans.
2. Protozoans exhibit many different modes of reproduction (ectoparasites or endoparasites).
3. They are **small**, usually microscopic.
4. They are the **simplest** eukaryotic organisms.
5. They have a simple body plan.
6. The body is **unicellular**.
7. They have one or more flagella.



Insects or Insecta are pancrustacean hexapod invertebrates and the largest group within the arthropod phylum. Insects have a chitinous exoskeleton, a three-part body, three pairs of jointed legs, compound eyes and one pair of antennae.

Wikipedia

Legs: six legs ny.gov

Class: Insecta; Linnaeus, 1758

Kingdom: Animalia

Phylum: Arthropoda

Clade: Pancrustacea

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Domains and Kingdoms of Life

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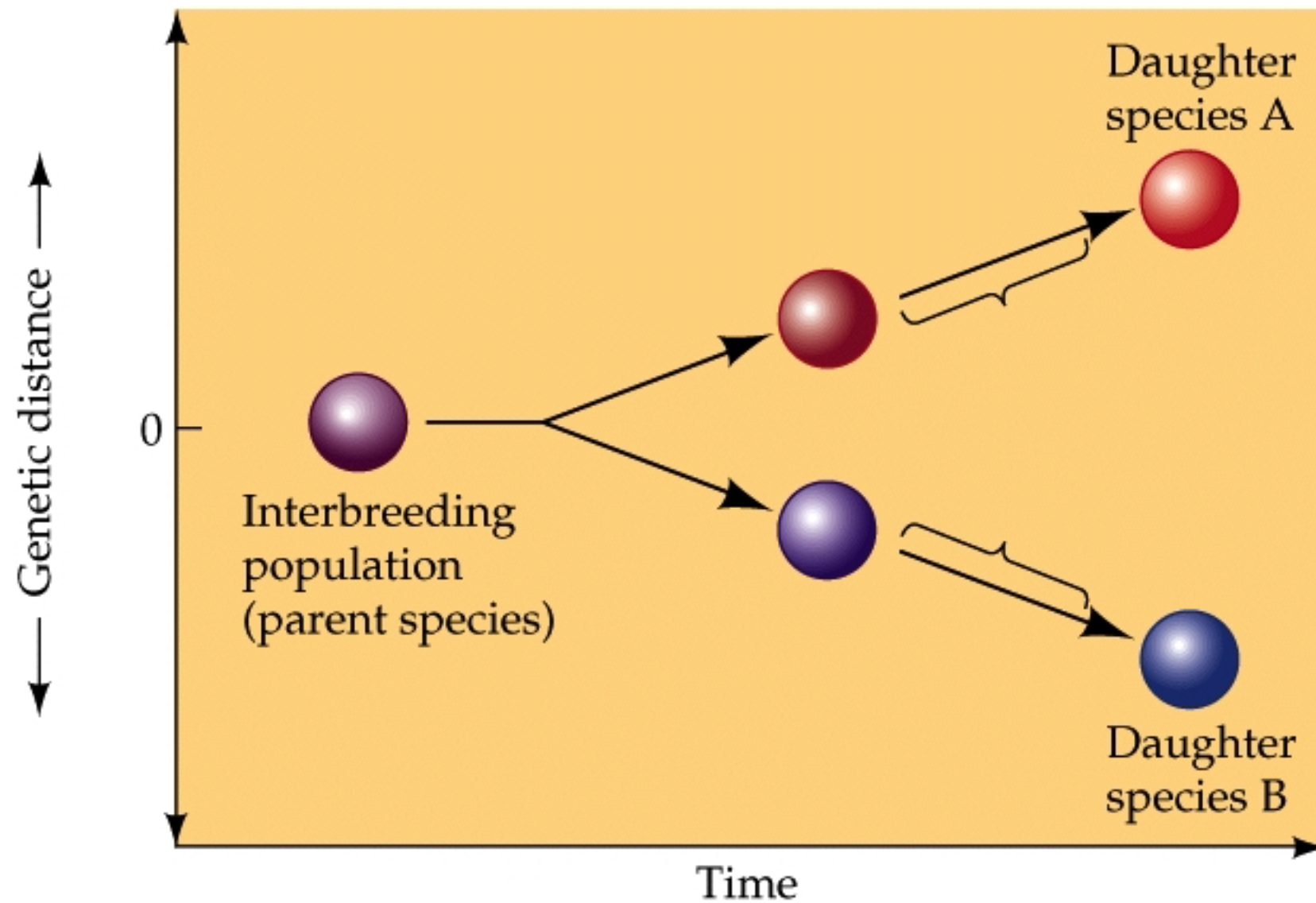
While most of the Linnaean taxonomic grouping was in place long before Darwin, after Darwin this classification scheme needed significant refinement on precisely what was meant by each of the terms, (especially the term "**Species**")

"Species are groups of interbreeding (or potentially interbreeding) natural populations which are reproductively isolated from other such groups."

Genetic integration works on the premise that "if individuals within a population mate with one another, but not with individuals of other populations, this population can be considered to be an **"independent evolutionary unit"**, and can safely be called a **Species**

"...the smallest groups that are consistently and persistently distinct and distinguishable by ordinary means."

Morphological Species Concept (MSC) -Cronquist 1988



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Speciation is the process by which one "species" splits into two.

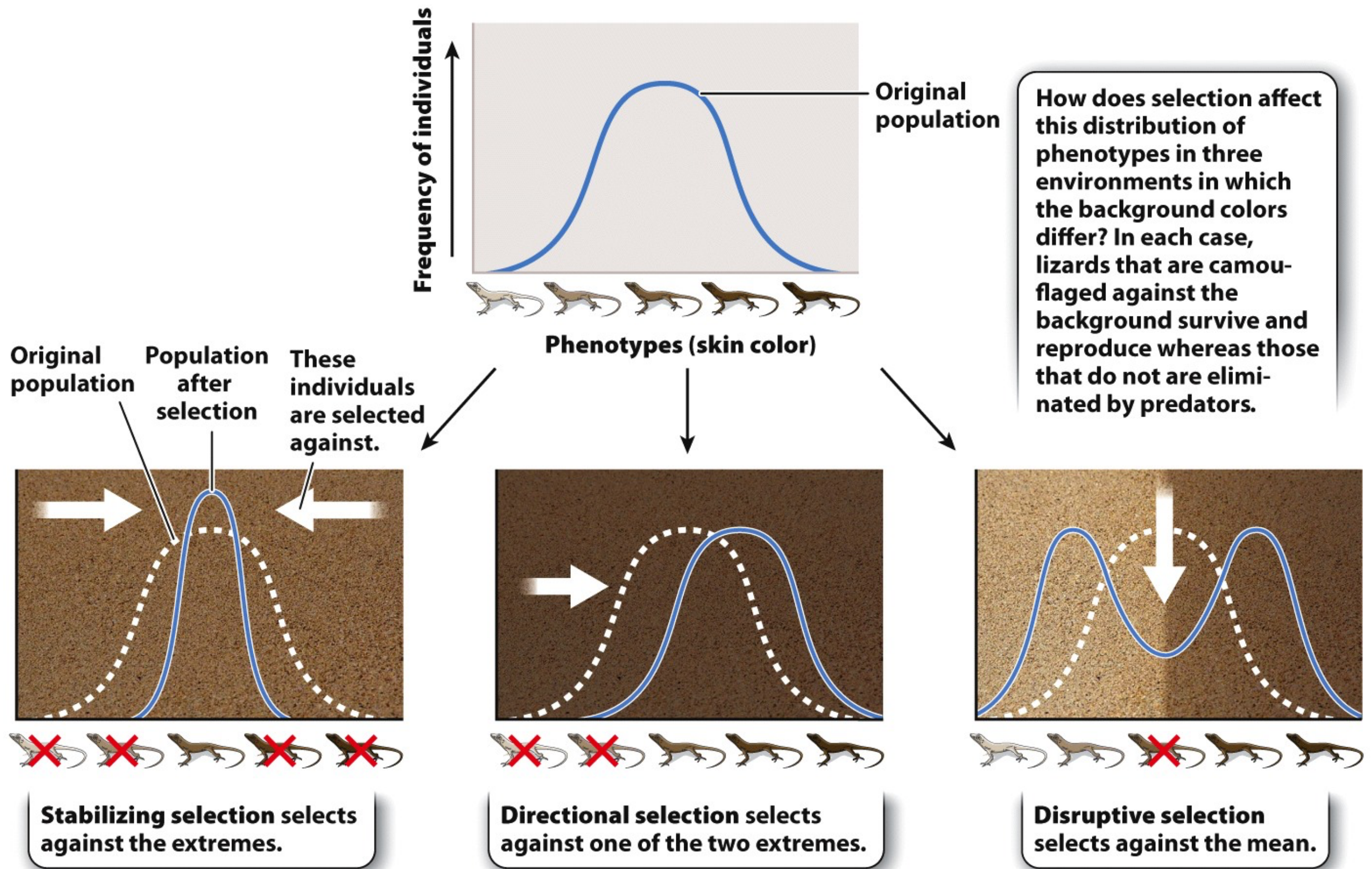


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Allopatric speciation requires total genetic "reproductive" isolation.....or, when two or more parts of a single population become divided by a geographic barrier, alternatively known as **geographic speciation**.

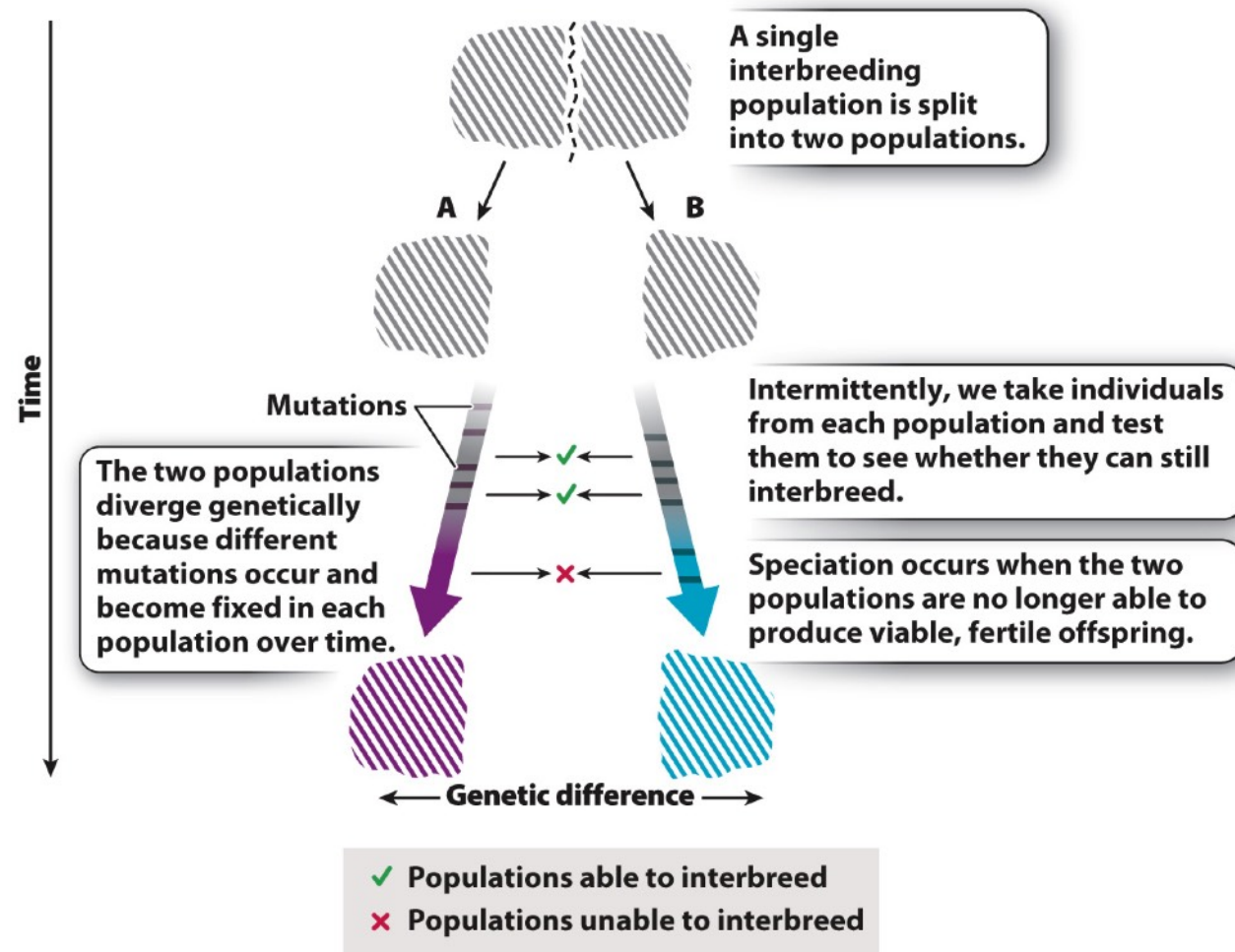
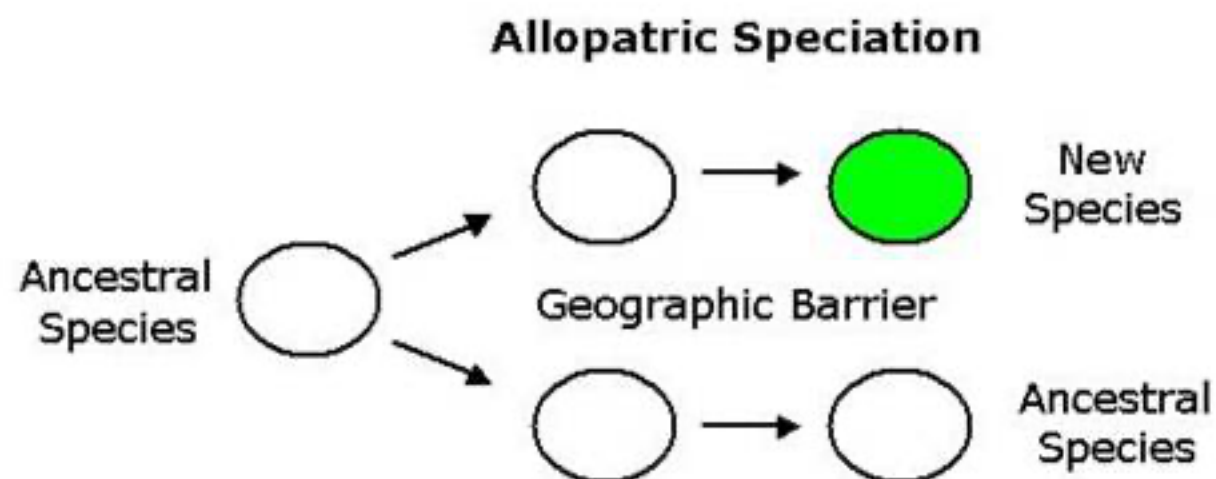
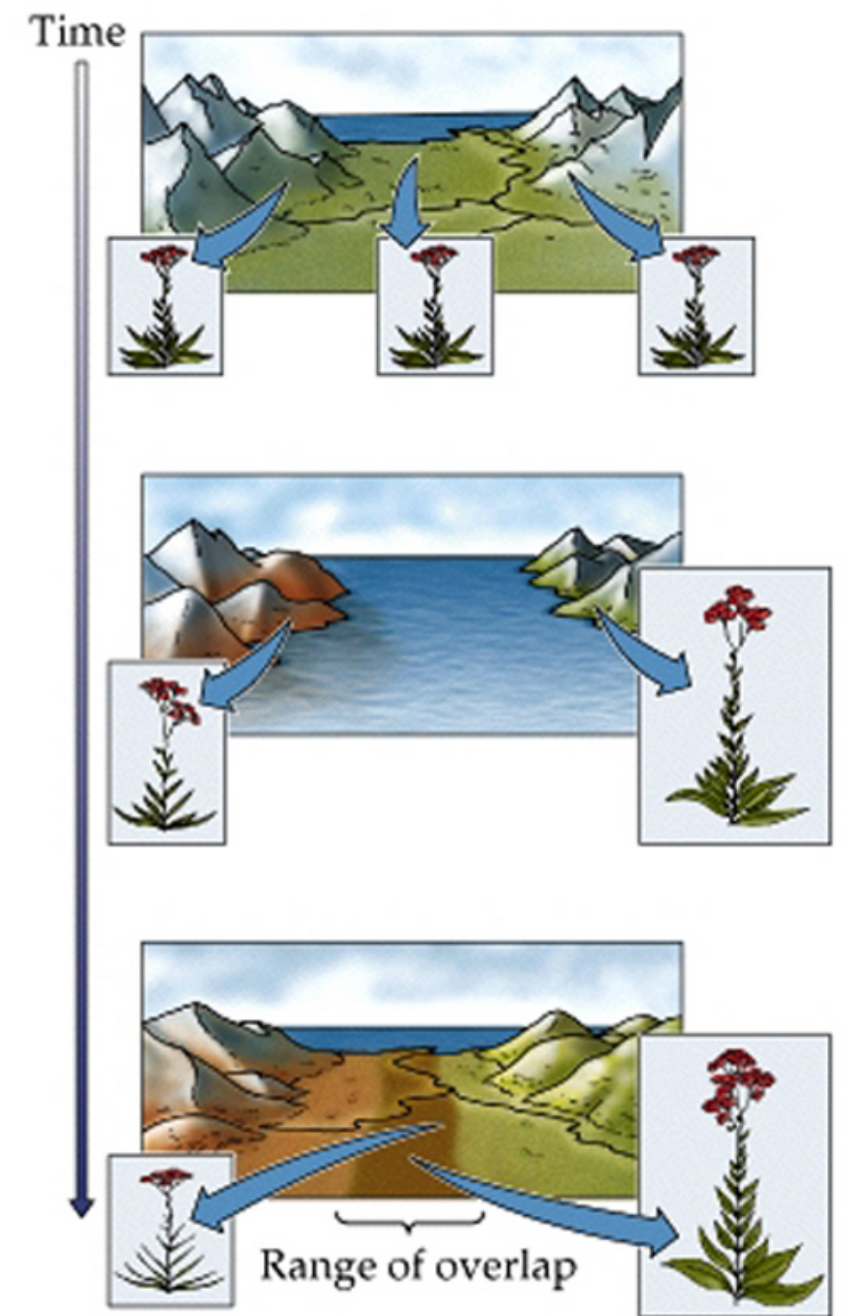
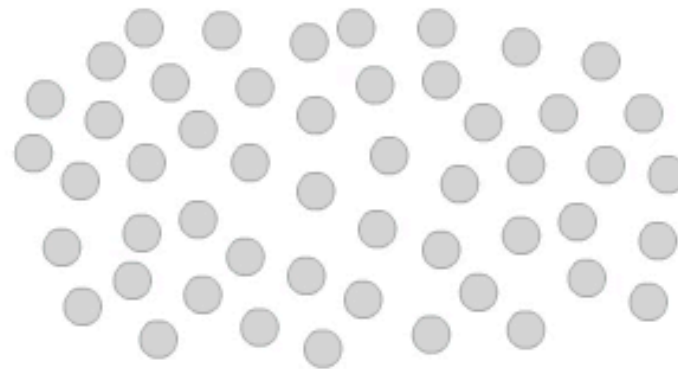


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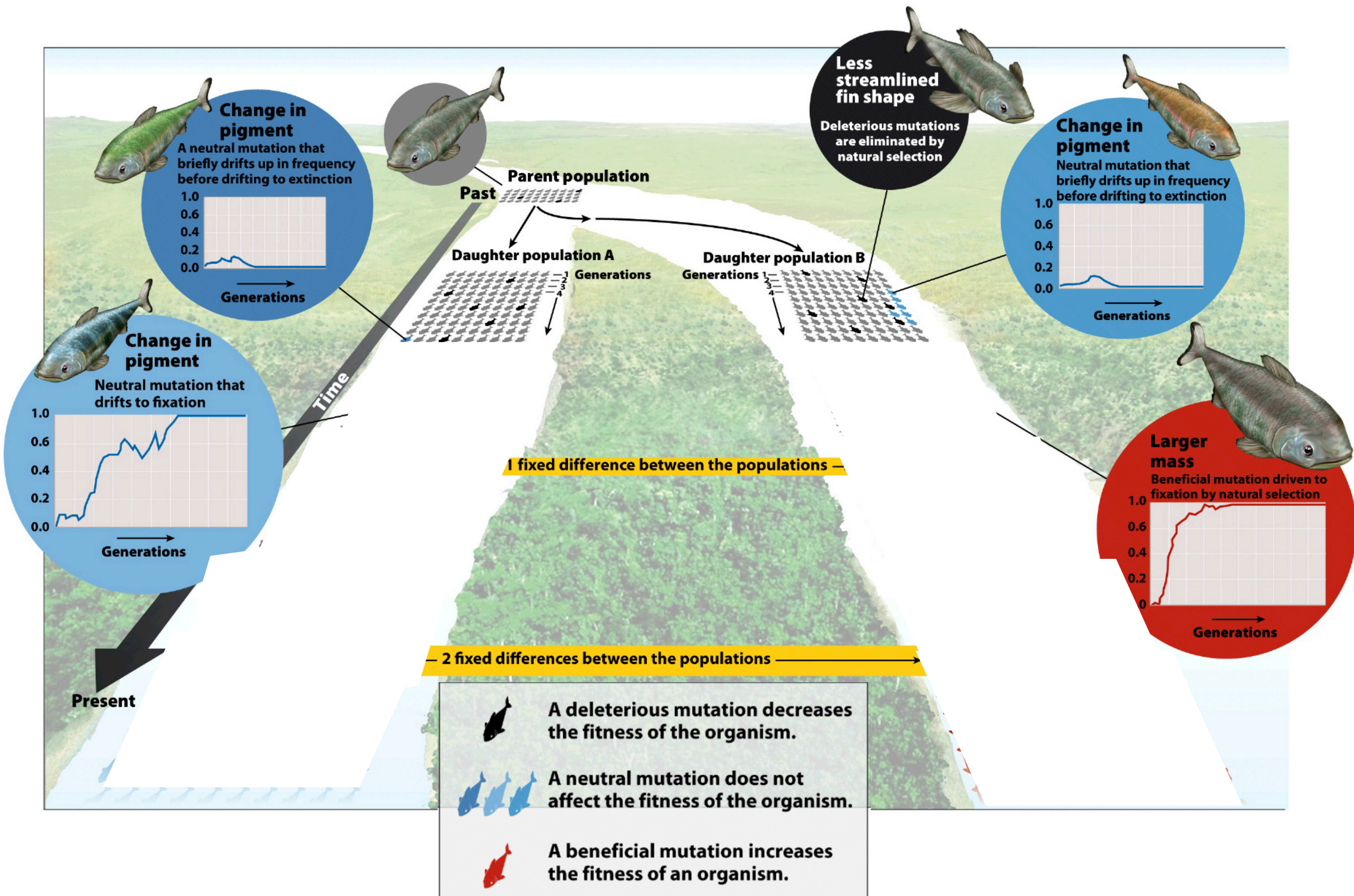
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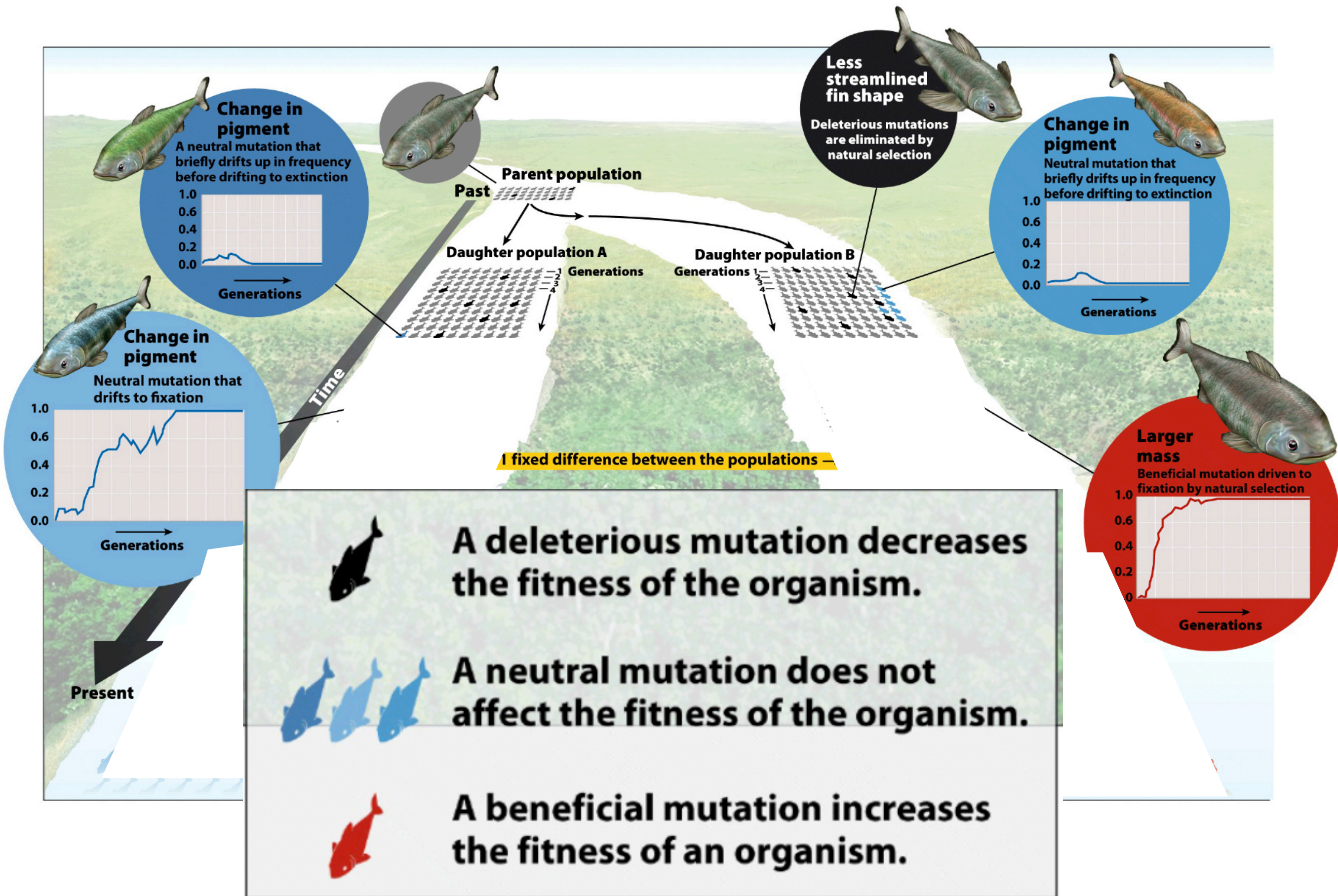
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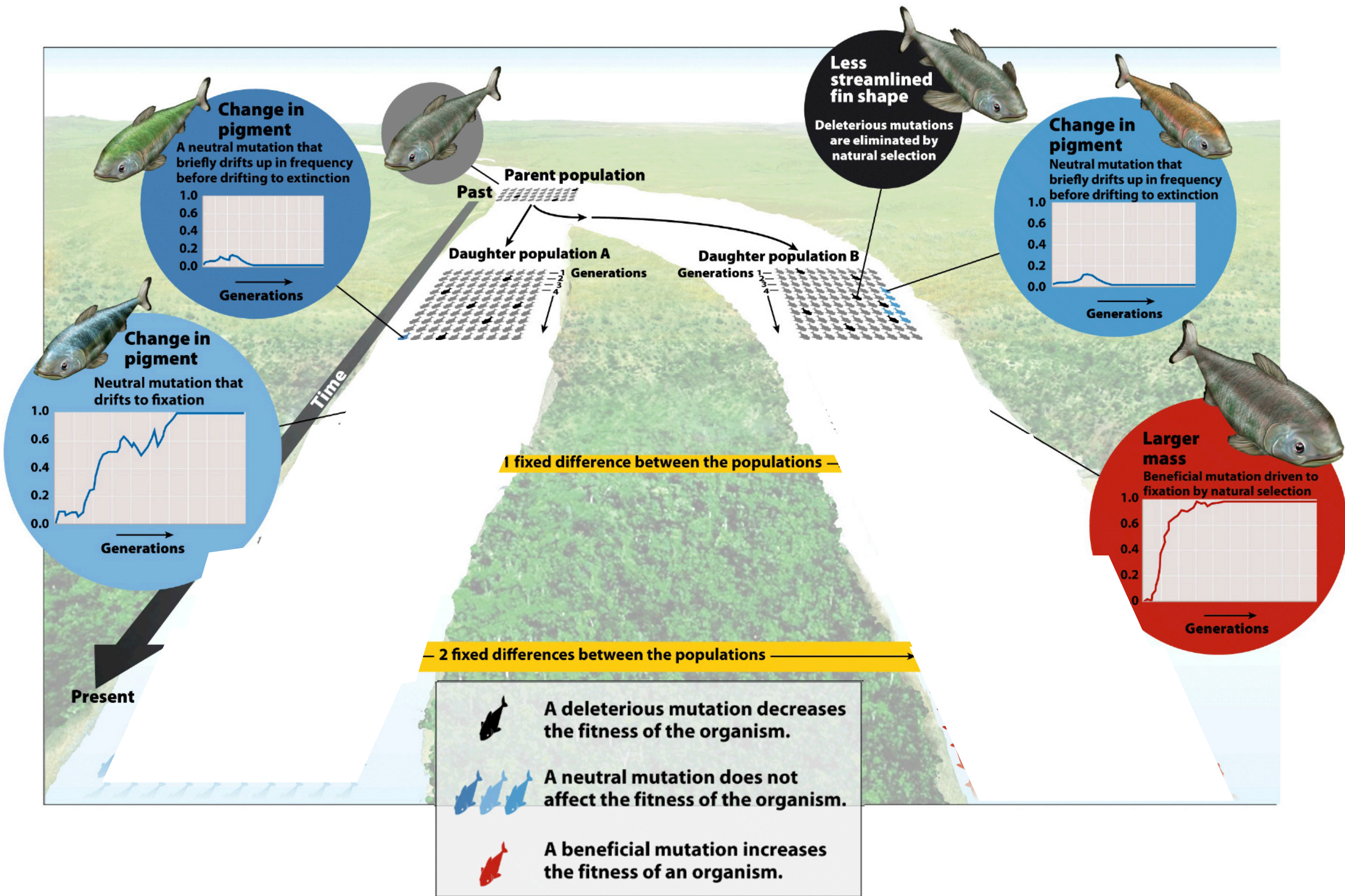


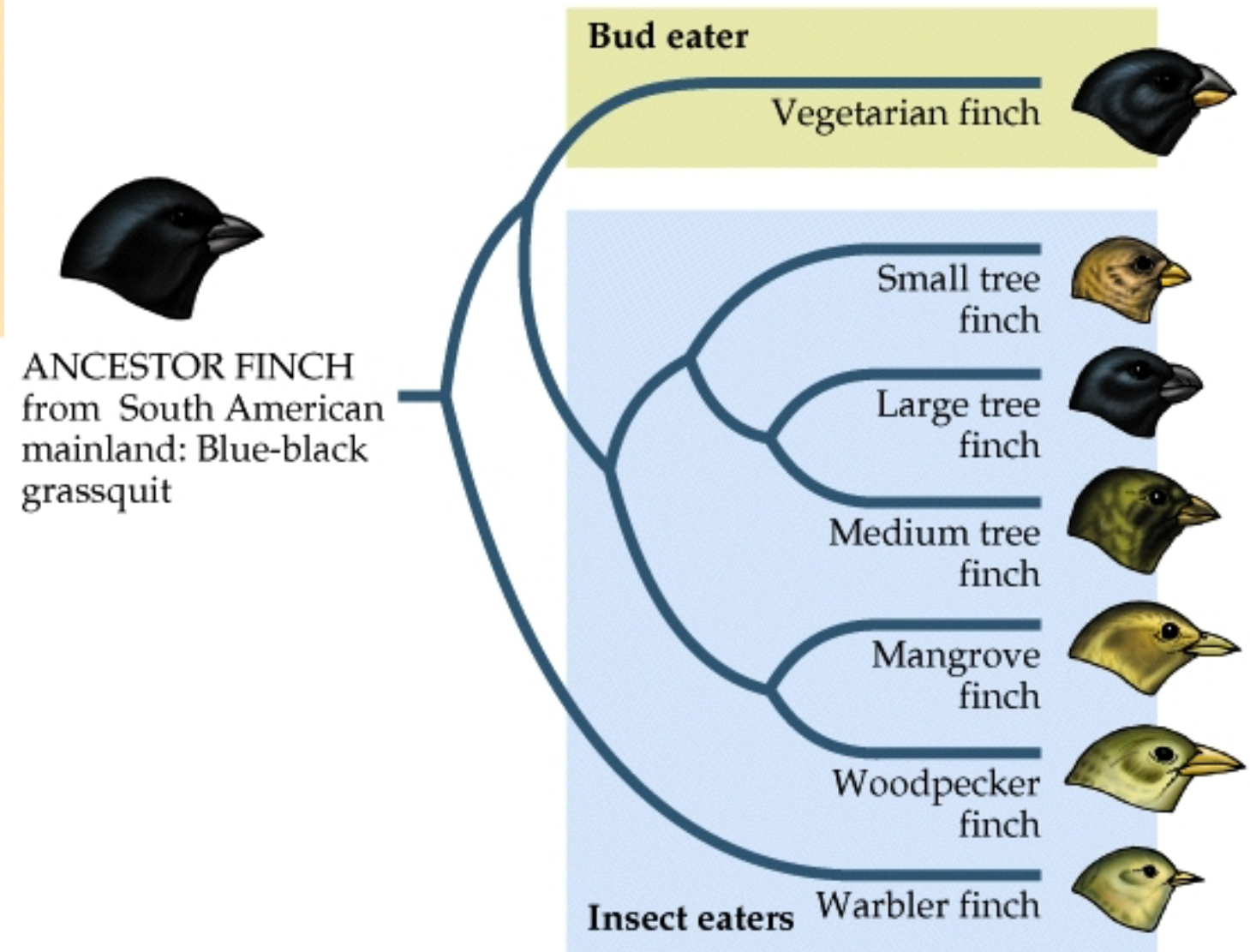
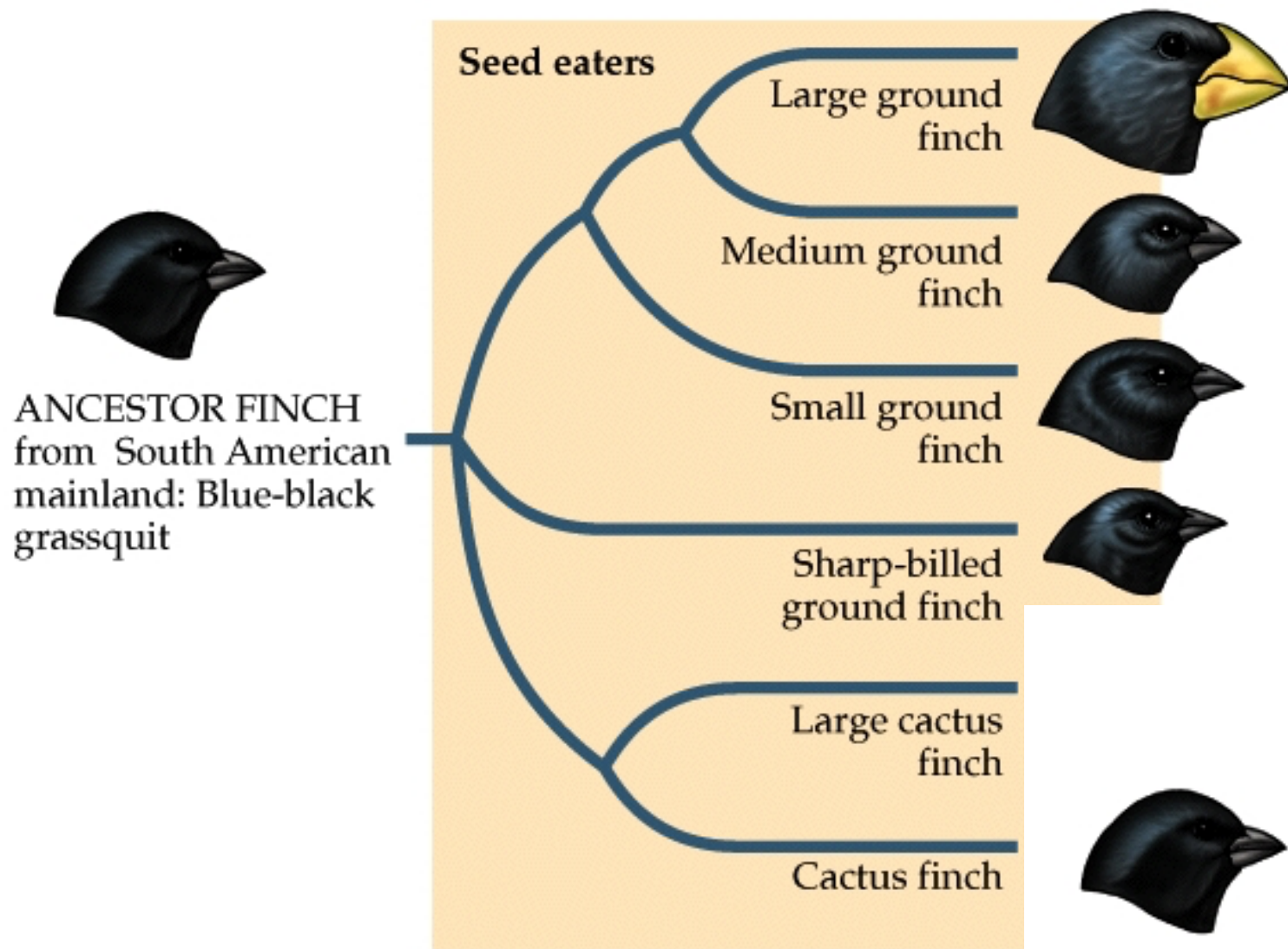
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Generation

We will track the evolution of this population through time.









Darwin's Galapagos Finches



American and European Sycamores

Sympatric speciation is the evolution of a new species from a surviving ancestral species while both continue to inhabit the **same geographic region**.

Fruit flies have speciated sympatrically in New York State for more than a hundred years. These fruit flies originally courted, mated, and deposited eggs only on **hawthorn fruits**.

About 170 years ago, large commercial **apple orchards** were planted in New York. Some fruit flies began to lay their eggs on the apple trees, perhaps by mistake. Consequently, their offspring sought out apple trees as adults and, therefore, mated with other fruit flies of similar heritage.

